Class of 2026

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Staff

Class of 2026

Our Legacy

Barringer High School's legacy in Newark, NJ, is defined by its status as one of America's oldest public high schools (founded 1838), producing notable alumni like Amiri Baraka and Moe Berg, its rich architectural history with iconic buildings, and its enduring tradition of academic and extracurricular excellence, especially in areas like law and debate, despite facing historical challenges.

Key Aspects of our Legacy

Pioneering History: Established as Newark High School, it was the first in New Jersey and among the earliest in the U.S., with a legacy dating back to 1838.

Architectural Significance: Our campus features historic buildings, including the grand 189 structure (Demolished) and the 1964 building, reflecting different eras of Newark's growth

Distinguished Alumni: The school boasts a notable list of graduates who made significant contributions in various fields, including politics (Peter Rodino Jr.), sports (Moe Berg), arts (Amiri Baraka, Jerome Kern), education, and Justice William Joseph Brennan Jr. Justice Brennan was an American lawyer and jurist who served as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1956 to 1990. He was the eighth-longest serving justice in Supreme Court history, and was known for being a leader of the Court's liberal wing.

Academic Programs: Today, Barringer offers specialized academies like the Law Academy, Career & Technical Education (CTE), and robust Visual & Performing Arts, alongside strong Speech & Debate teams. Community Pride: An active alumni association fosters pride in th school's traditions and supports current students through scholarships, maintaining strong community ties. Adaptation & Resilience: Barringer has navigated significant changes, including urban shifts and modernization efforts (like federal grants in the 2010s), adaptin to meet contemporary educational needs. In essence, Barringer's legacy is that of a histori institution deeply woven into Newark's fabric, known for its enduring spirit, influential alumni, and commitment to evolving educational opportunities.

Principal's Message

Dear Graduating Class of 2026,

As your principal, it has truly been an honor to serve and lead such an inspiring group of young people. This year's theme, Elevating Our Legacy, perfectly captures the spirit and determination you have shown throughout your time here. You have motivated me every day to keep striving higher and to build upon the strong foundation laid by those who came before us.

Your accomplishments this year have been nothing short of remarkable. Congratulations to Melvin for earning 1st place in the NJ SkillsUSA Finished Carpentry Competition—a testament to dedication and skill. Frederick Guerrero's incredible achievement of scoring 1,000 points in basketball has brought pride to our entire community. To each and every one of you, your achievements have not gone unnoticed. Beyond these milestones, you prepared for your future endeavors with focus and determination.

As you move forward, we hope you continue to carry the pride of our school with you. Remember where you come from and the legacy you are elevating. Blue Bear Pride has been a symbol of excellence and community since 1838, and you are the next chapter in that proud tradition.

Congratulations, Class
of 2026! We are so proud of you and can't wait to see all the incredible things you will accomplish. With great pride and best wishes,

Natasha Pared
Principal

Mrs. Natasha Pared
Principal

Barringer High School Alumni
Class of 1997

Mrs. M. Ortiz
Vice Principal Of Senior Class

Class of 2026,

You made it—and that's no small thing. You've grown, learned, and pushed through more than you realize.

You don't need to have everything figured out. Stay curious, take chances, and don't let fear decide your path. When things go wrong, learn from it and keep moving—progress comes from showing up.

Define success on your own terms, not anyone else's.

This is just the beginning. Go forward with courage—you're more ready than you think.

Mrs. Tammy Davis-Merriwether
2026 Class Advisor

lass of 2026, You have shown wisdom and strength in your college and career decisions. I ave watched you grow from a young adult with uncertainty in your eyes.To mature eople who are moving on to attend College,Trade School, Military, or Career.

will miss our Early morning Cafe Coffee Shop and after school run to the chicken shack. he beautiful memories we have made ,this year as the sunrises over us .Trying to figure ut how to get money to help seniors. Doing fundraisers in my office to chocolate fights . ven if you do not know it right now, I can guarantee that you will do great things in the uture. Class of 2026 looks toward the future and never stops dreaming because our egacy will live on for ever.It is like a notebook the pages will go on forever . I will always be ere for you now and in the future.

Despite the day to day frustrations, you all at one point have managed to make me smile r laugh. You have reminded me why I do this job and why I love my Seniors as they are ny very own children. You will always have a special place in my heart, so I leave with my avorite quote: you will always have Butterfly Dreams that will take you to higher places Thank you for letting me be your Senior Class Advisor.

Vith Love,

Mrs. Tammy Davis Merriwether

Administration Team

Front row:

Mrs. Cabrera, Mr. Mohren, Mrs. Pared,
Mrs. Eason, Mrs. Ortiz, Mrs. Shirland

Back Row:

Mrs. De Jesus-Walker, Ms. McCombs, Mr. Vanderhoof,
Mr. Brogdon, Mrs. Paruta, Mrs. Burnett and Mrs. Abdelwahab

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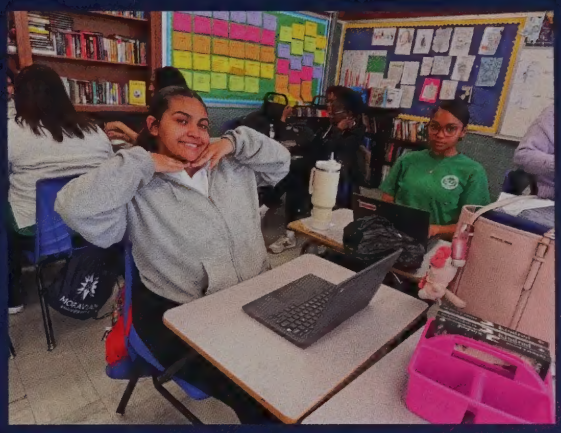

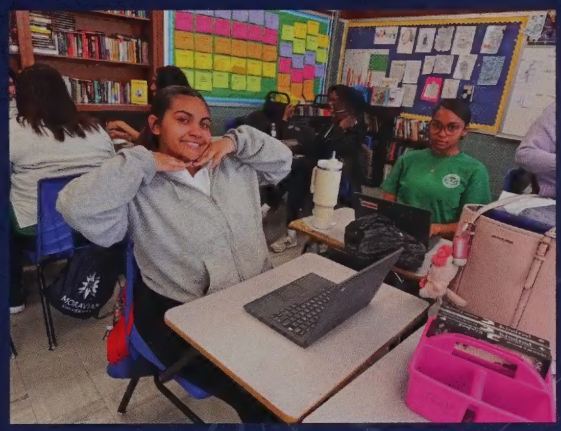

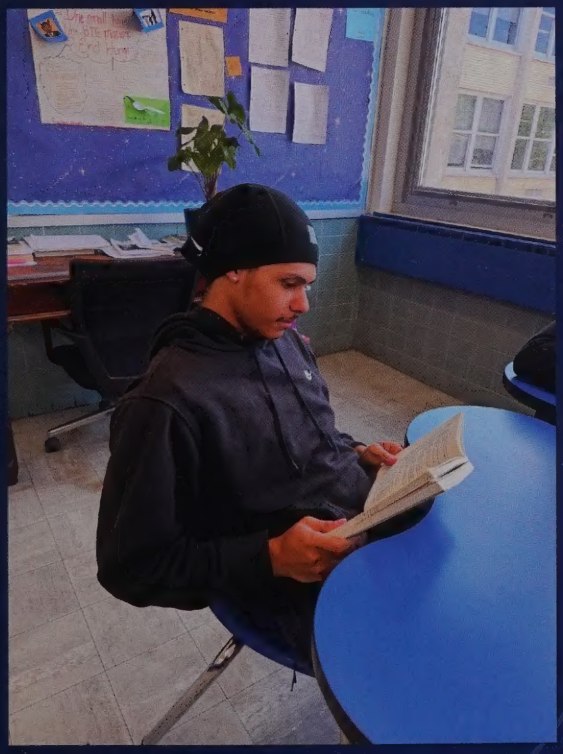

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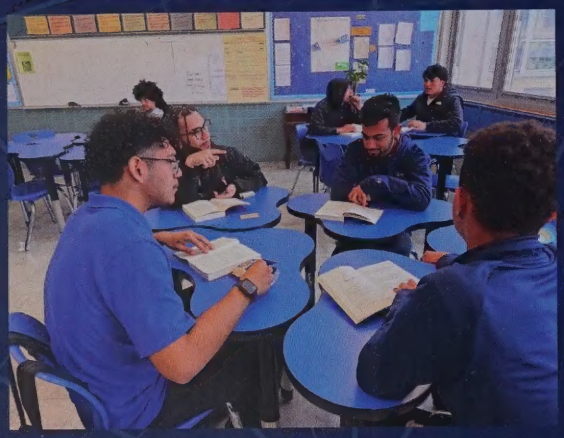

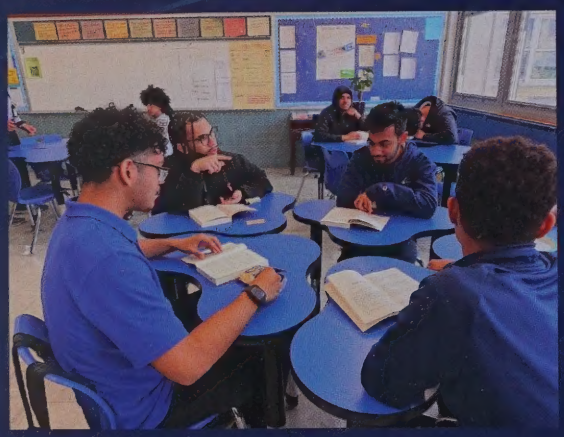

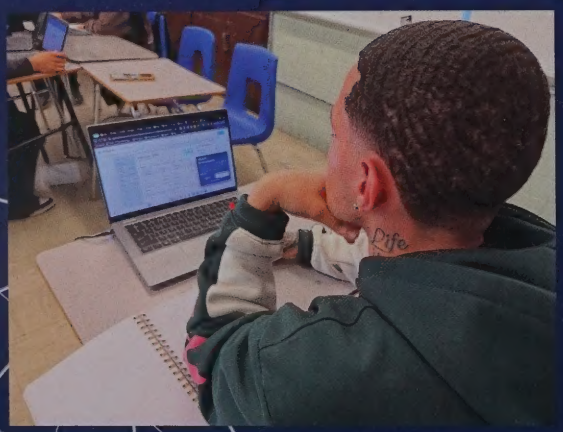

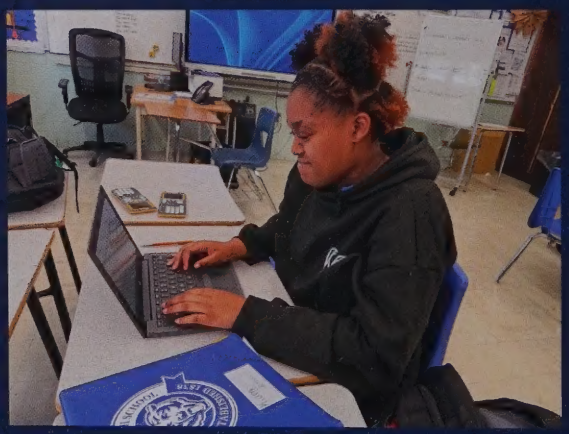

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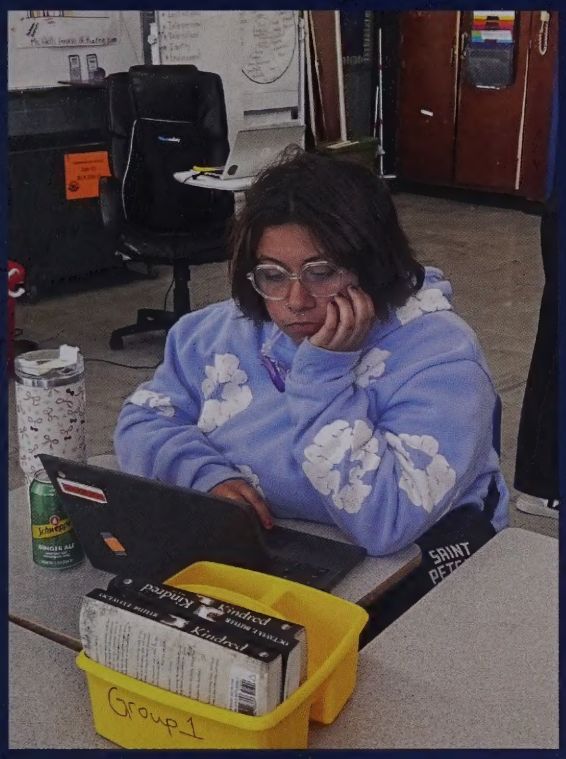

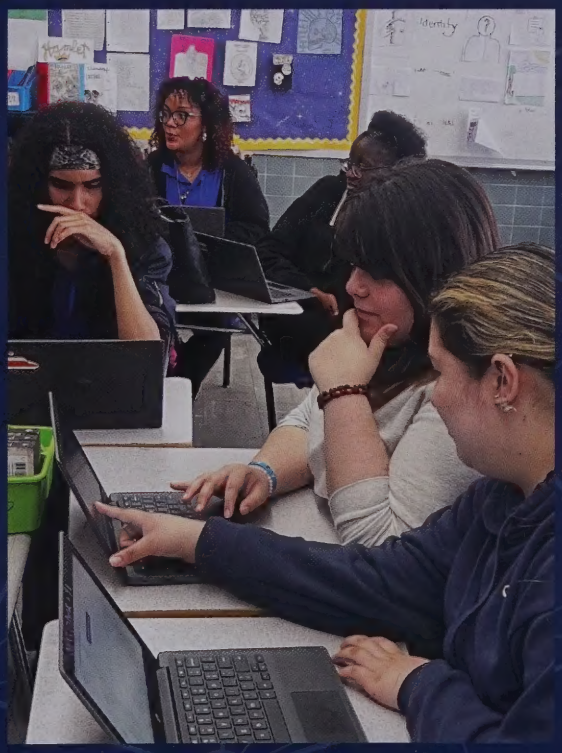

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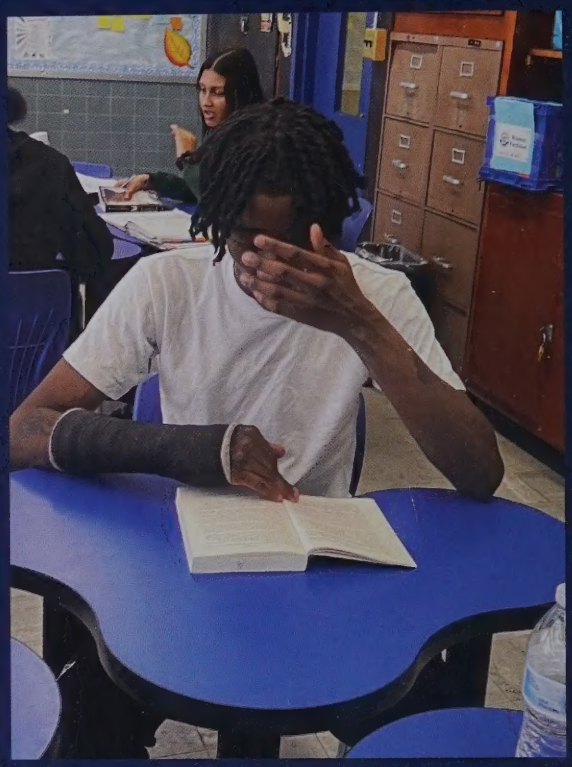

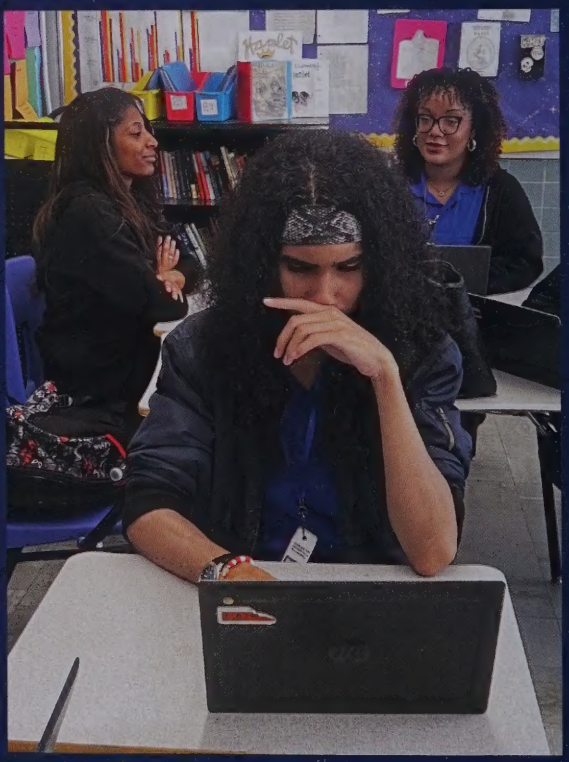

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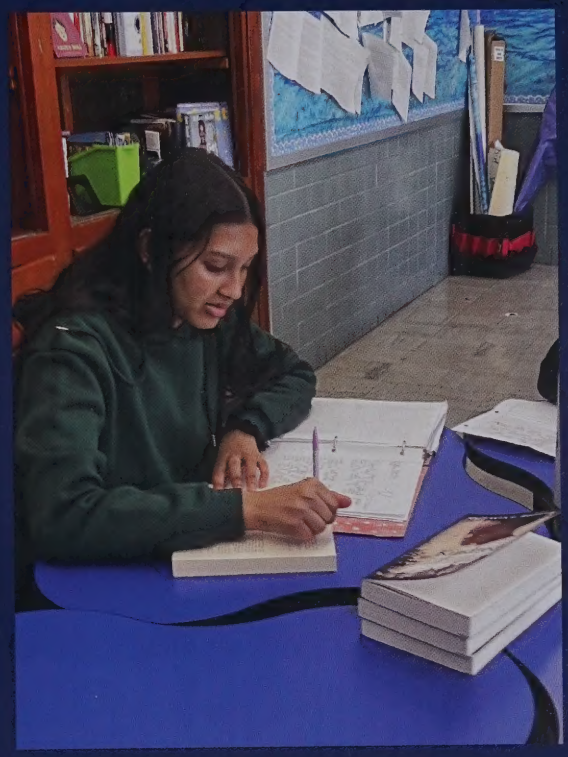

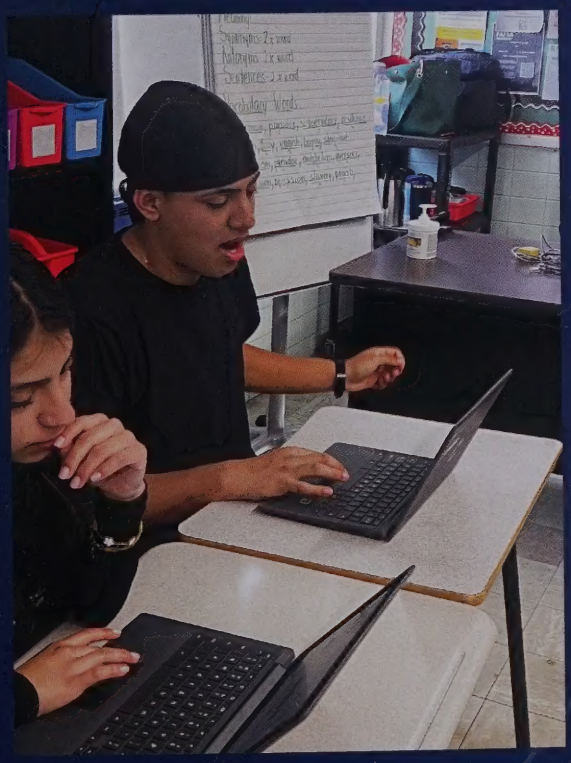

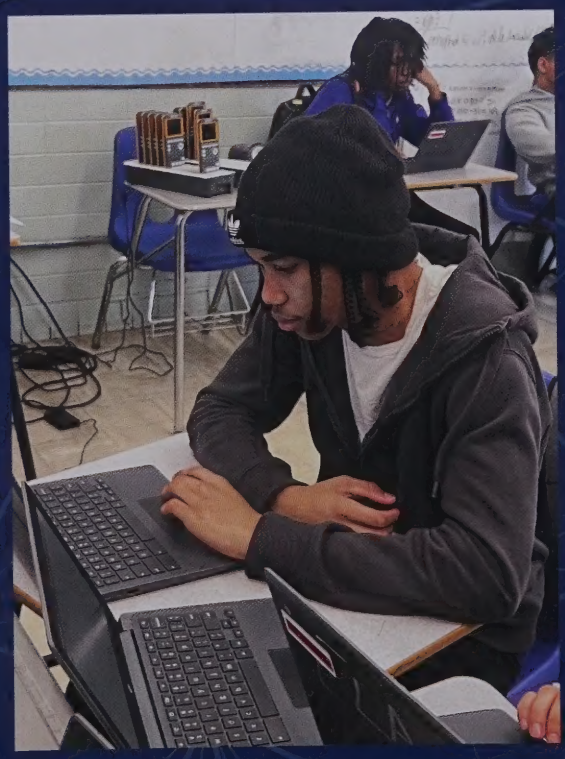

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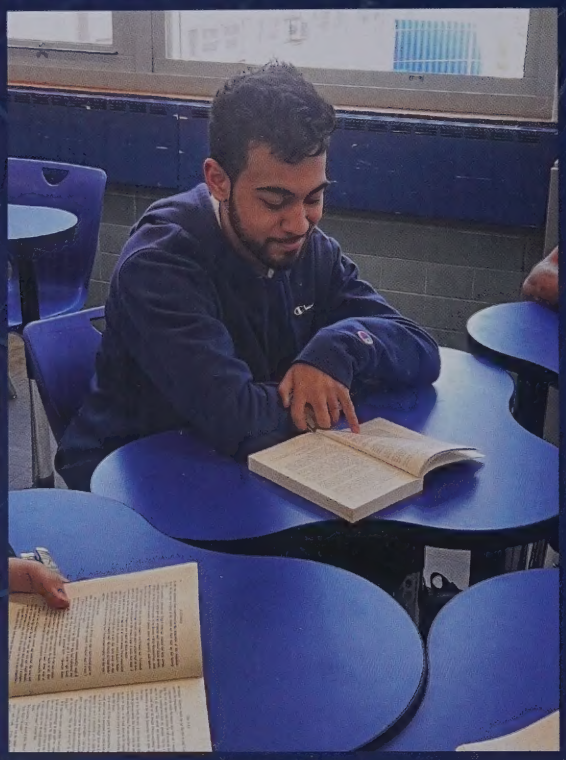

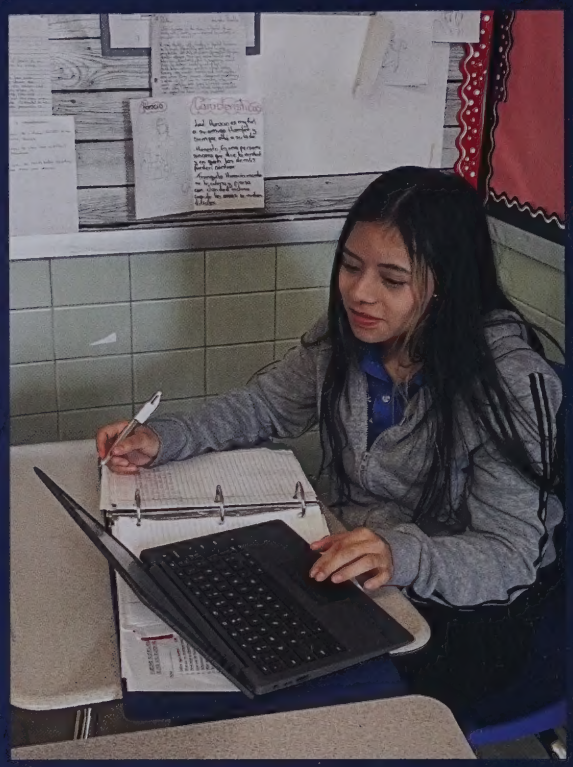

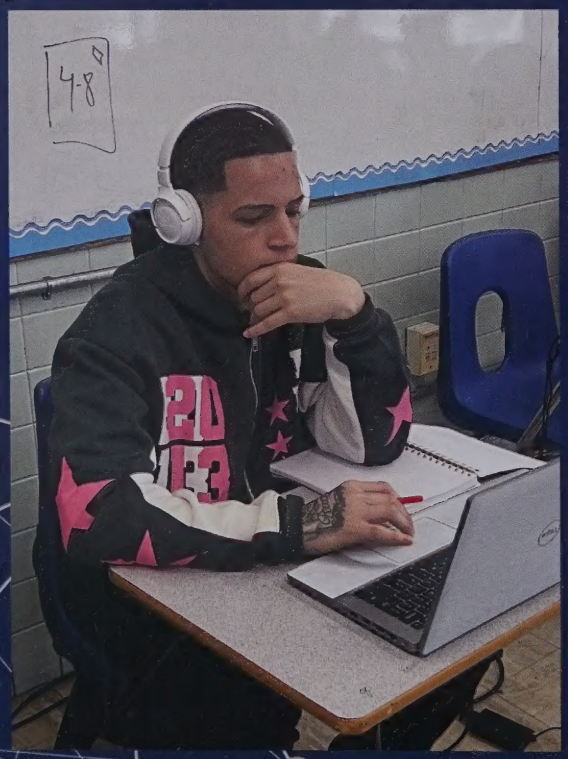

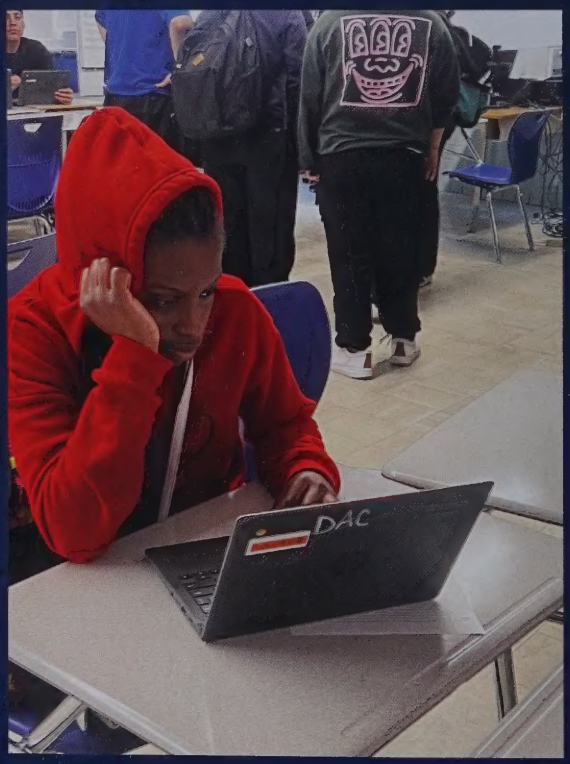

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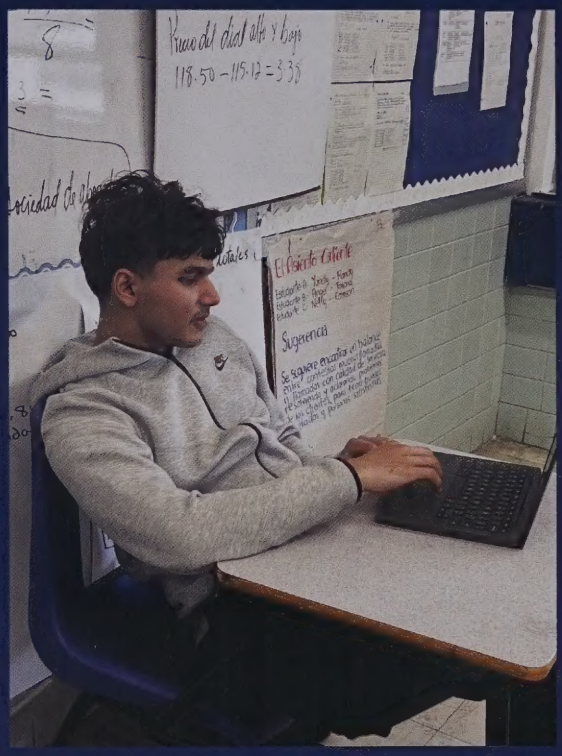

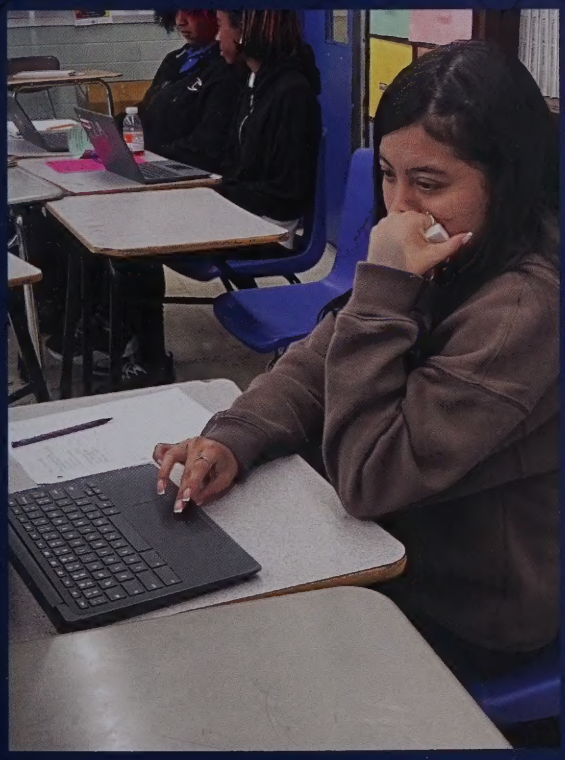

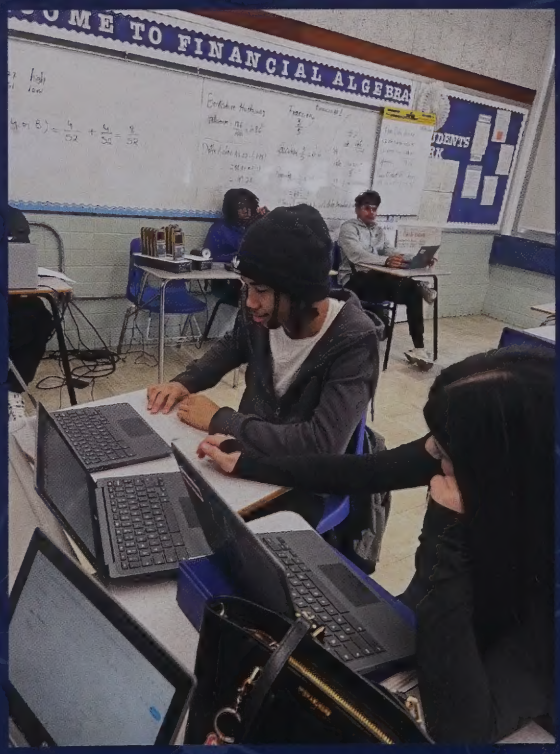

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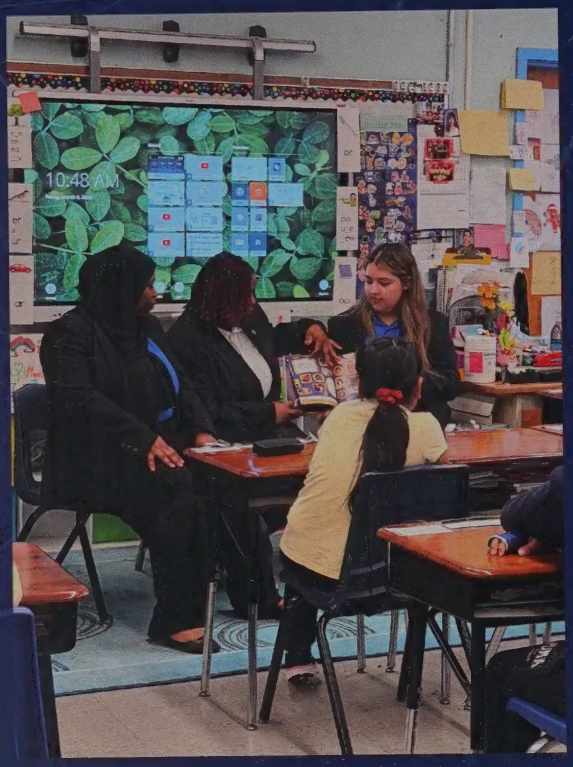

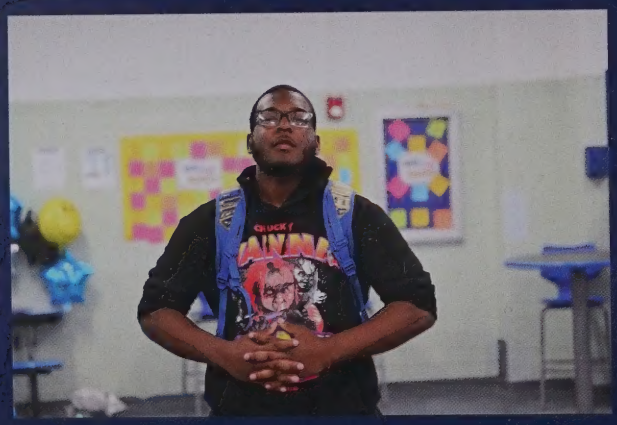

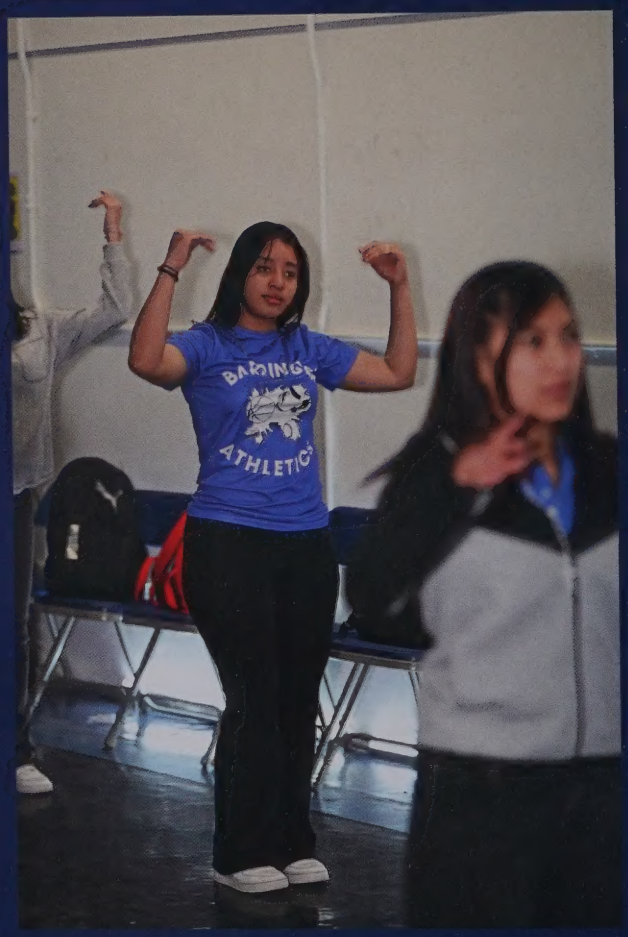

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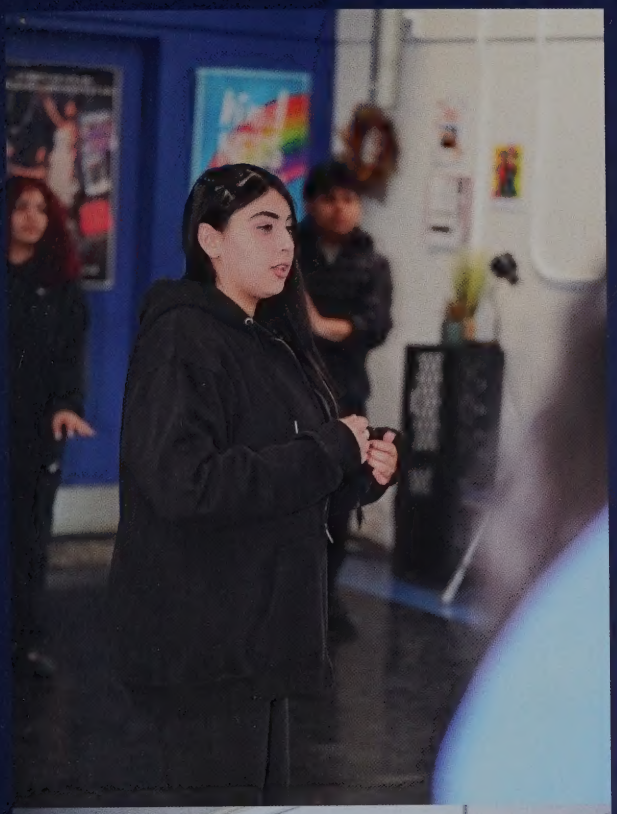

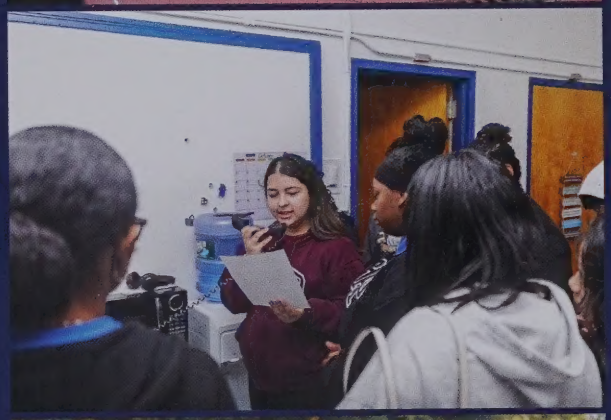

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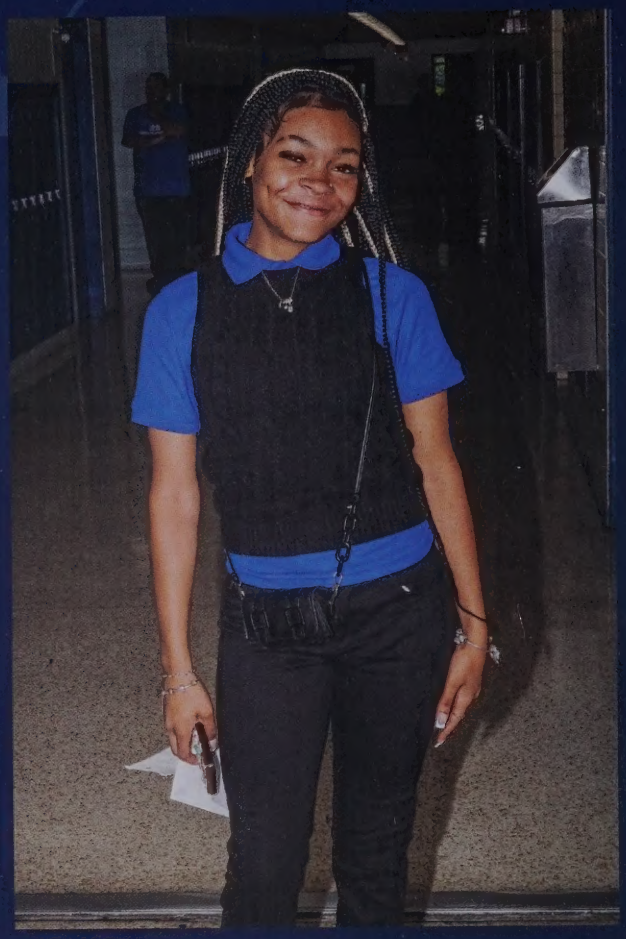

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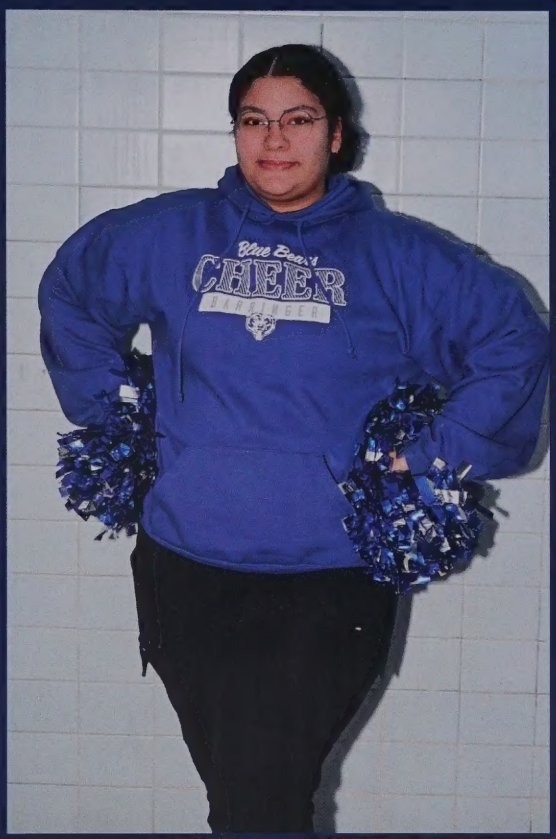

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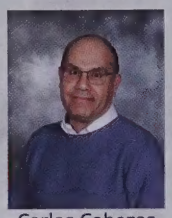
Noel Burton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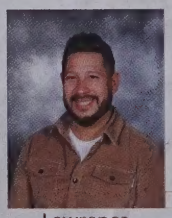
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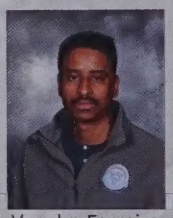
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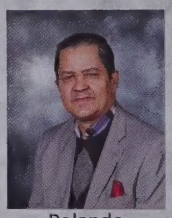
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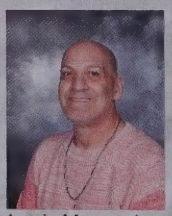
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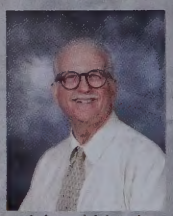
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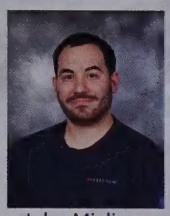
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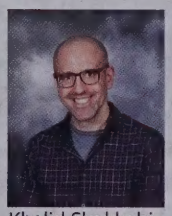
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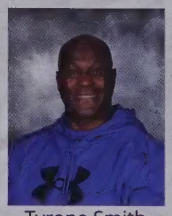
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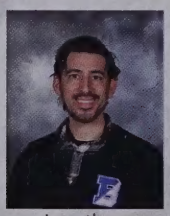
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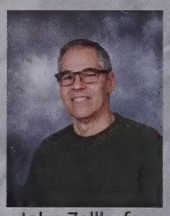
John Zellhofer

In Memoriam

Mrs. Epps

Mrs. Fernandez

Cafeteria Staff

Security Team

Main Office

School Counseling Team

From left to right; back row:
Mr. Hayes, Mr. Good, Ms. Mickens, VP Mohren and Mr. Baldwin

From left to right; front row:
Ms. Aitken, Mrs. Davis-Merriwether, Ms. Santana, Ms. Colon, Ms Rodriguez, Ms. Nin and Mr. Diaz

Schoolwide Support Team

Mrs. Noel Burton, LSW
Social Worker
10th Grade Students

Ms. Va'Lorie James, MSW, LSW
Social Worker
9th Grade Students

Ms. Kaylynn Frias MSW
Social Worker
12th Grade Students

Ms. Daisy Lema MSW
Social Worker
11th Grade Students

The Barringer Alumni Association

To All Barringer Graduates:

Congratulations!

For the past four years you have worked hard to earn your high school diploma. We now invite you to join an organization that is dedicated to continuing the legacy of Barringer High School.

Newark High School opened in 1838 and then became Barringer High School in 1907. You graduated from the first public high school in New Jersey and one of the oldest in the U.S.

For more information go to: www.barringerhighschool.org,
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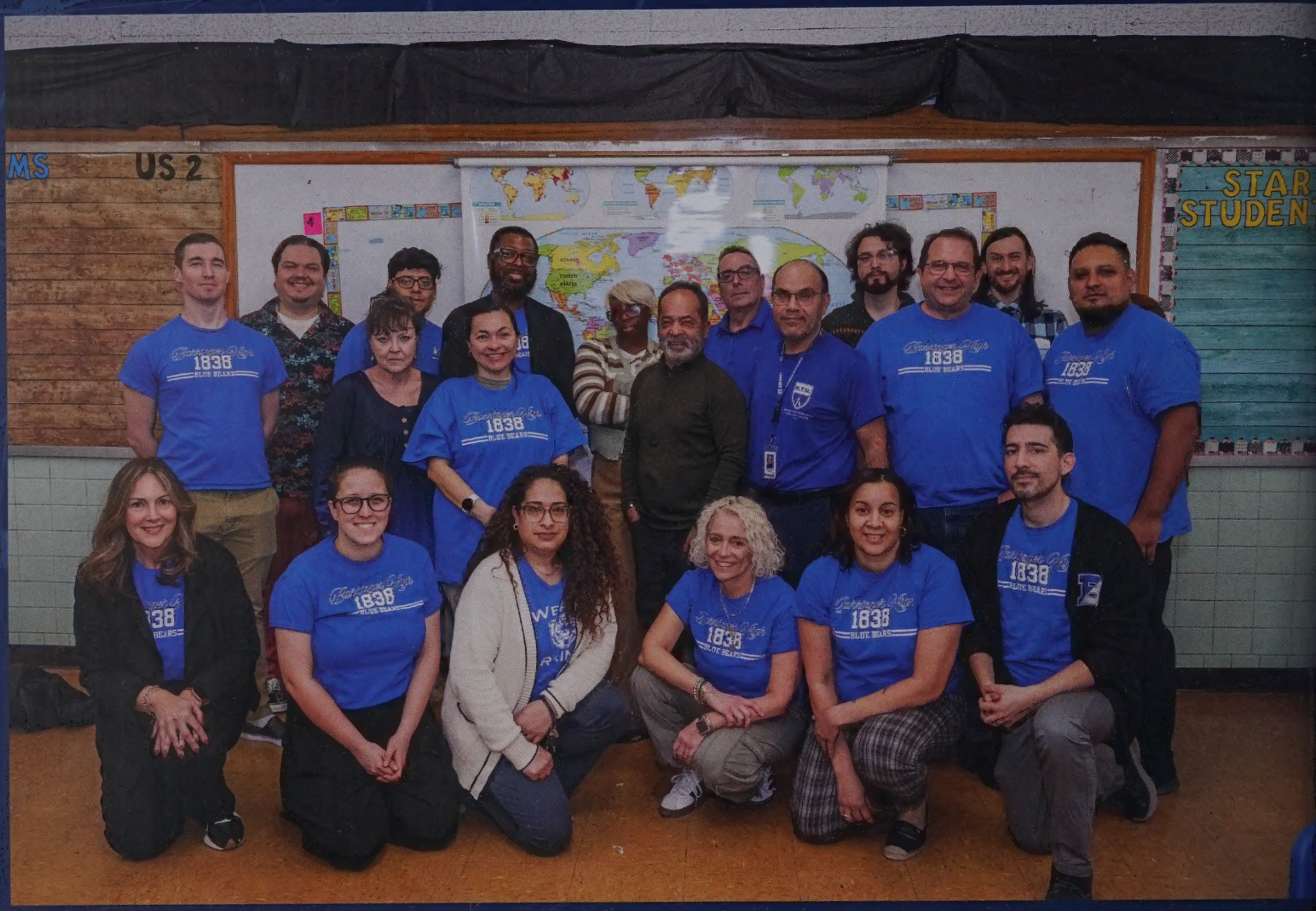

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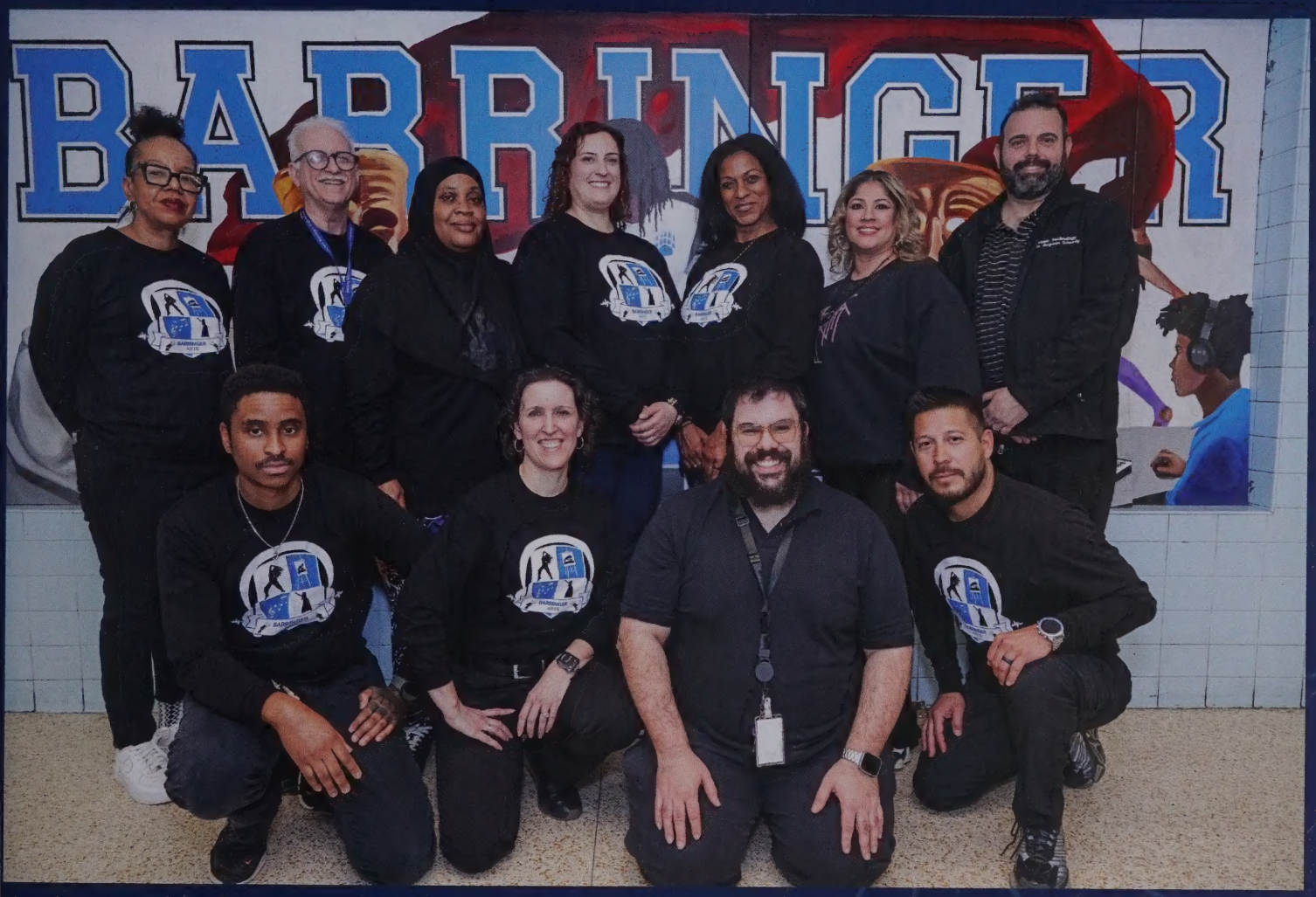

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Top 10 Students

Carlos Alexis Simbana Toasa

Candida Nayeli Frias Chimbo

Asael Serrano

Luz M. Cruz Bernard

Jaliyah Tawanna Singletary

Edies Cantillo Pagan

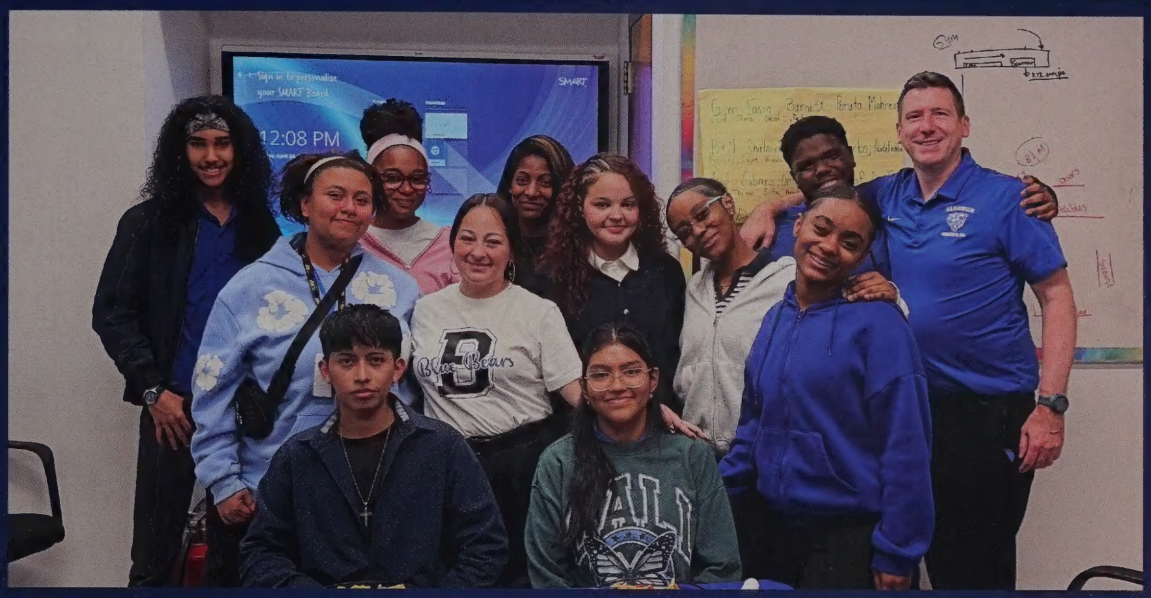
Lia Victoria Rojas

Yselyn Lia Rojas

Zuleyna Lily Soto

Alondra Marie Dominguez

Top 10 Luncheon



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3. Serrano, Asael
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5. Singletary, Jaliyah Tawanna
6. Cantillo Pagan, Edies
7. Rojas, Lia Victoria
8. Rojas, Yselyn Lia
9. Soto, Zuleyna Lily
10. Dominguez, Alondra Marie

Class President
Laylah Hannibal

As I close this chapter as your class president, I carry more than just a title I carry the lessons, challenges, and growth that came with it. Stepping into this role wasn't easy. There were moments of doubt, pressure, and learning how to bring people together when it felt difficult. But through perseverance, planning, and the support around me, I found strength not just in myself but in our community.

Leadership taught me that it's not about having all the answers it's about showing up, staying committed, and believing in something bigger than yourself, even when it's hard. I am deeply grateful to Principal Natasha Pared, my Vice President Kristell Villarreal, Secretary Alondra Dominguez, Treasurer Selah Valley, and Ms. Davis for their guidance and belief in me throughout this journey. To my classmates, thank you for trusting me and growing alongside me.

As we move forward, I hope we carry the resilience we've built and the memories we've shared into every space we enter. This is not just an ending it's a beginning. And if there's one thing this experience has taught me it's that our greatest strength will always be the way we rise together.

Class Vice-President
Kristell Villareal

Serving as your Vice President has been one of the most meaningful experiences of my high school journey. This year brought so many memories, accomplishments, and moments that reminded me how special our class truly is. While there were many exciting and joyful moments, there were also challenges, emotional ones that often stay unseen.

One thing I have learned is that we never fully know what someone else may be going through. Everyone carries struggles differently, and sometimes the people smiling the brightest are fighting battles no one can see. Through it all, I realized that life always finds a way to give us support, whether it comes from friends, family, teachers, or even the people we least expect. No matter how difficult things may feel, we are never truly alone. That is something I hope every one of us remembers as we move forward into new chapters of our lives.

I am incredibly grateful to our Class President, our officers, Ms. Davis, and every classmate who made this year unforgettable. Thank you for the laughter, the memories, and the moments that helped us grow together. As we continue our journeys, I hope we carry kindness, resilience, and compassion with us everywhere we go, because sometimes the smallest support can mean everything to someone.

Valedictorian
Carlos Alexis Simbana Toasa

My journey began in December 2022. After overcoming numerous obstacles to reach the United States and having to rebuild my life from scratch once I arrived, I never imagined I would find myself in this moment. Everything changed: the language, the culture, and the way of life.

Instead of giving up, I decided to push myself even harder. I switched to regular classes before I had fully mastered English, while also taking AP and Honors courses. I competed, worked, looked after my brother, and applied to universities. I celebrated my triumphs, but I also shed tears over my failures. It wasn't easy, yet no challenge ever felt insurmountable. I came to understand that being an immigrant is not a disadvantage but rather a unique perspective—one that drives me to work twice as hard and prove that, even in the most competitive country in the world, the Latino dream can shine just as brightly.

My goals extend far beyond graduating from university or simply excelling in my field of engineering. I aspire to found my own technology company and create charitable organizations to assist all those migrants who, like me, face daily adversity. My ultimate objective is to achieve equality within society; just as many have extended a helping hand to me, I want to pay it forward a hundredfold. Today, I celebrate not only my own efforts but also the efforts of every one of you—those who have faced your own challenges along the way. We have graduated, but we are only just beginning. No matter your origins or the obstacles you have faced, remember this: if we were able to make it this far, we have the power to transform the future. Let us be the change we desire; let us be the change the world needs.

Salutatorian
Candida Frias Chimbo

For me, holding the second-place rank meant never wavering in my studies and always striving to do my best. To stand here today as the Salutatorian is, for me, a journey that began at age seven—as a little girl who struggled to learn, who found even simple division difficult, and who struggled to pay attention. I never imagined I would end up in the position I hold today.

The path I had to traverse with my family to get here was filled with fear. Fear because, in 2021, we were in Mexico, a place we didn't know, chasing the "American Dream" just like so many other Hispanics. Yet, my mother's courage motivated me every single day to cross the border.

When we finally arrived here, I was overjoyed; we looked at each other and said, "We did it." During the our years I have been here, my goal was never simply to secure second place; rather, my mindset was to make the most of the opportunity I had been given—an opportunity that so many people wish to have in his country but cannot attain. For that reason, I wanted to give my absolute best in every class and absorb s much knowledge as possible, knowing how difficult it had been for my parents, who worked tirelessly to provide us with a better life here—a life they themselves never had.

urthermore, it wasn't just my past experiences that motivated me to excel as a student; I always say that was God who gave me a renewed mind—the focus and determination to study and keep moving orward. This was so true that, even when I was in the 11th grade, I didn't even know what "class ranks" vere—let alone where I stood within them. It wasn't until I discovered that I was ranked second that I felt surge of joy; seeing everything I had achieved gave me a profound sense of accomplishment. So, I ontinued to work hard, and I was able to maintain that second-place ranking right up through this final chool year. This included transitioning to classes taught entirely in English—a significant challenge for me, s I was accustomed to learning solely in Spanish.

tepping into that new environment meant stepping far outside my comfort zone, but what brings me the reatest joy today is knowing that I truly did succeed. Throughout these years—from the exams I've assed to the competitions I've participated in—it has been an incredible journey filled with stories worth elling. For all of this, I give thanks to God and to the people who supported me so deeply: my parents, my amily, my teachers, and my friends.

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Cinthia Aguillon Ramos

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Fiona Alburqueque Quishpe

Gabriela Alcantara Chicaiza

Lizbeth Alcivar

Rayyan Ali

Derek Alicea

Lenin Allaico Guaman

Zayra Alvarenga Murcia

Ossman Alvarez Gaibor

Arisleidy Alvarez Mora

Shery Anazco

William Angel Bone

Paola Apo Garces

Erick Apo Guayan

Sebasthian Aracena Duran

Ashley Arita

Dylan Arrobo

Kimberly Avila Garcia

Jefferson Ayala Canales

Jhonny Aylla Leon

Hailey Baez

Sayra Baez Torres

Victor Bajana Armijos

Dana Barcia Mero

Karol Barraza Vargas

Matthew Barros Garcia

Emily Barros Puente

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Angel Beato Espinal

Jostin Bello Torrez

Mariana Beltran Garcia

Mery Bermeo

Gilberto Bermudez

Keshawn Bernardez

Ambar Berrones

Juan Berrones Leon

Lucero Blanco Cervantes

Pamela Blanco Torres

Yoendy Bobadilla

Bryan Bravo

Jhon Bravo Miranda

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Richard Cardona
Tiana Carmenatty
Ethan Carranza
Eydden Castillo
Julio Castillo
Kendy Castro
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Alisson Cazun Ochoa
Cristian Cedillo
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Sincere Charles
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Pablo Chillogalli Fernandez
Brithany Chisaguano Conteron
Yesenia Choro
Justyn Chuquiana Quinatoa
Ashley Chuya Zumba
Jazmin Jeongseo Cisneros Cardenas
Rolston Clarke
Jayden Cogles
Jeremy Cogles
Charifatou Compaore
Idalis Cordero
Amberly Corniel-Miro
Amir Correa
Quamir Crawford
Anderson Cruz
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Nahomi Cruz
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Luz Maria Cruz-Bernard
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Cesar Cruz Santana
Julian Cruz Yac
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Fidal de la Cruz
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Kairys de Los Santos
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Sophia Dudek

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Jaslyn Esposito

Amyely Esquibel Suchite

Saul Fabian Grullon de Jesus

Anthony Fernandez

Ryan Ferreras Sanchez

Ydalis Ferrer-Davila

Cielo Figueroa

Daniela Flores

Marcus Fraser

Jenifer Freire

Candida Frias Chimbo

Andrea Funes-Chirinos

Heaven Galarce

Shirley Garces

Adam Garcia

Katherine Garcia

Jasmin Garcia Alberto

Linsey Garcia Garcia

Carlos Garcia Sosa

Helkin Garcia Valdez

Elijah E Goldston

Jaydin Gomez

Roselyn Gomez

Sanel Gomez Arias

Yeili Gonzales

Franklin Gonzalez Guillent

Melvin Granados Villatoro

Kendall Grant

Sincere Grant

Justin Green

Mateo Guaillazaca Quito

Amy Guallpa

Anael Guallpa

Anthony Guaman

Cristofer Guaman

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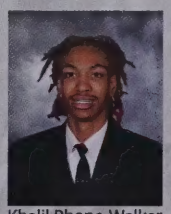
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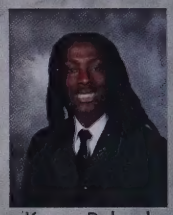
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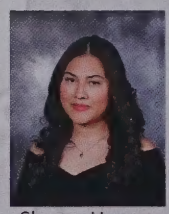
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Newark High School (1838 - 1907)
Old Barringer High School (1908 - 1963)
New Barringer High School (1964 - Present)

Student Council

"The mission of Barringer Student Council is to represent the voices of all students, foster a positive and inclusive school community, and promote leadership, responsibility, and collaboration. We strive to serve as a bridge between students and administration, advocate for student interests, and organize initiatives that enhance school spirit, engagement, and well-being. Through integrity, service, and teamwork, we aim to make our school a place where every student feels heard, valued, and empowered. "

Accomplishments: In the 2025-26 school year Barringer Student Council raised money for our school through a movie night fundraiser and a popcorn fundraiser. We supported the planning of grade level trips and events, and we formed a relationship with Franklin and Horton Elementary schools by reading to their students.

Mr. Campbell

Baby Photos

Aguilar Argueta, Elvira

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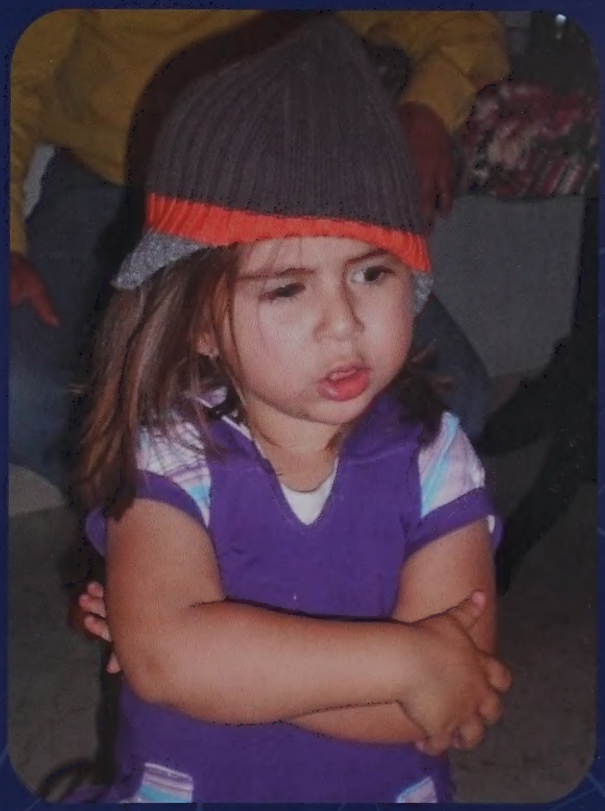

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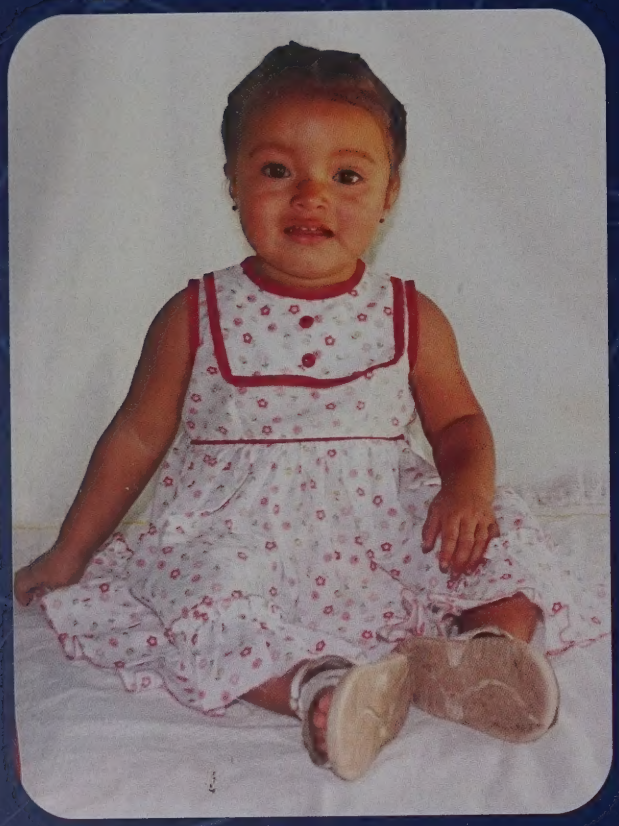

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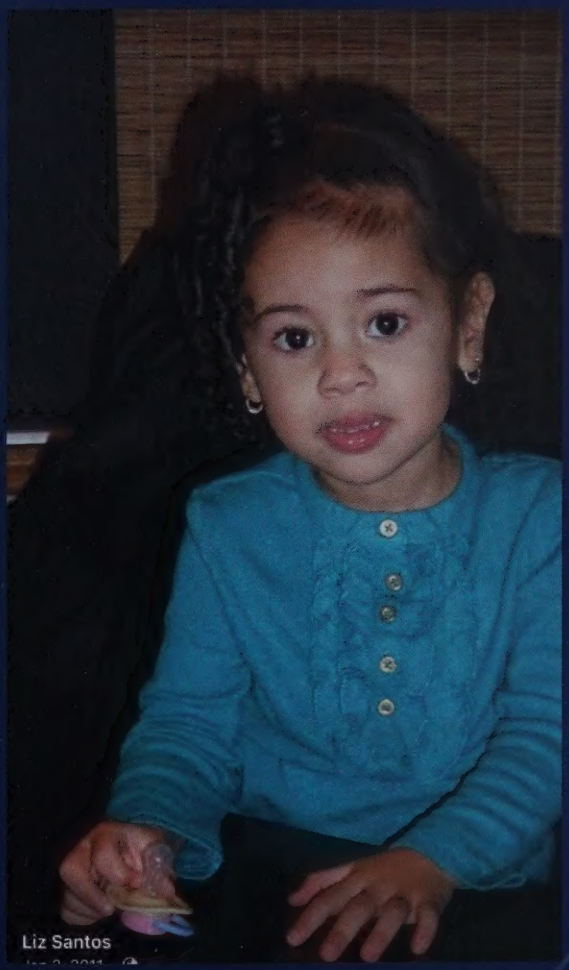

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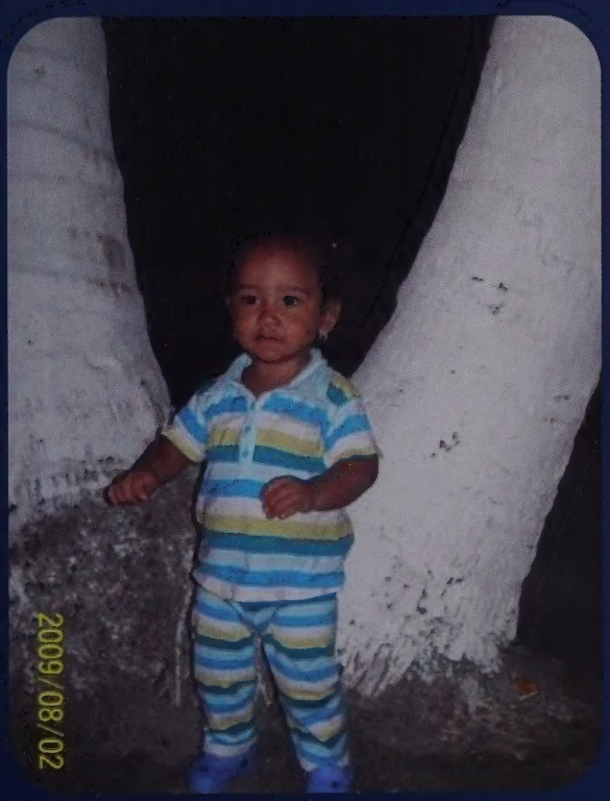

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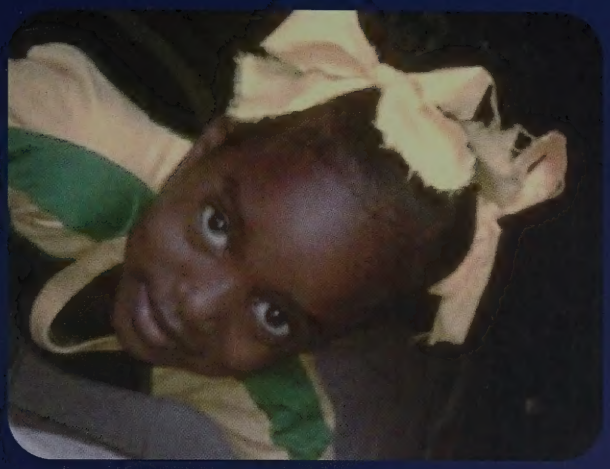

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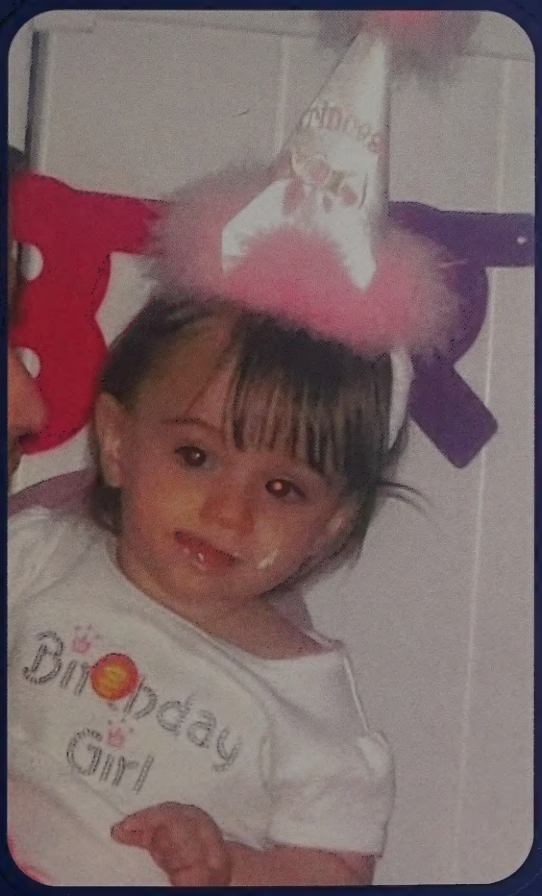

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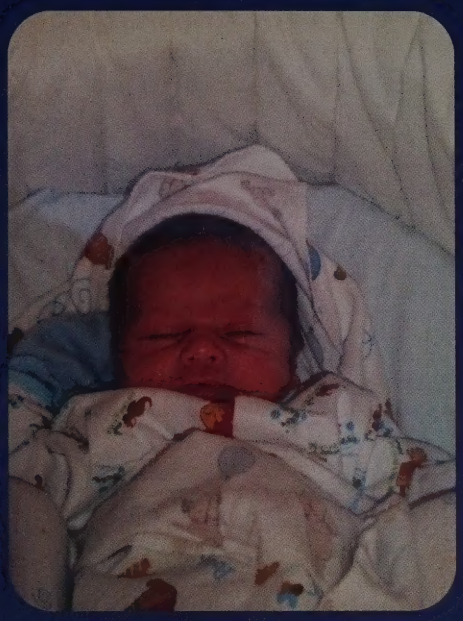

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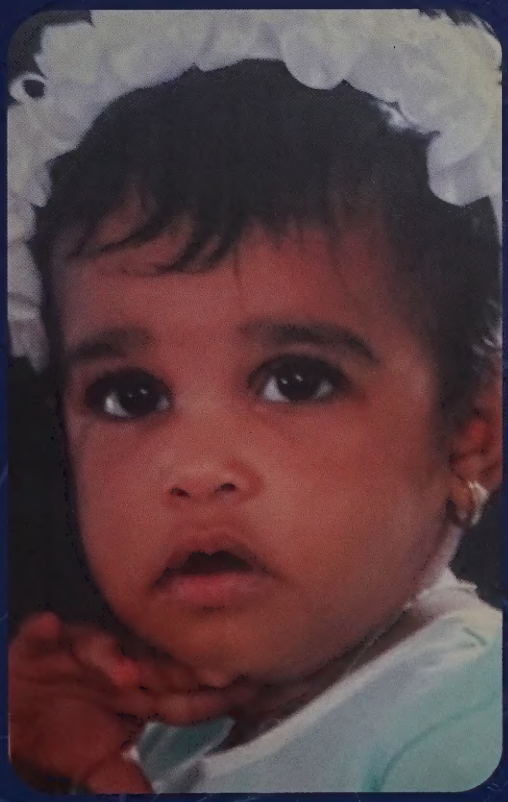

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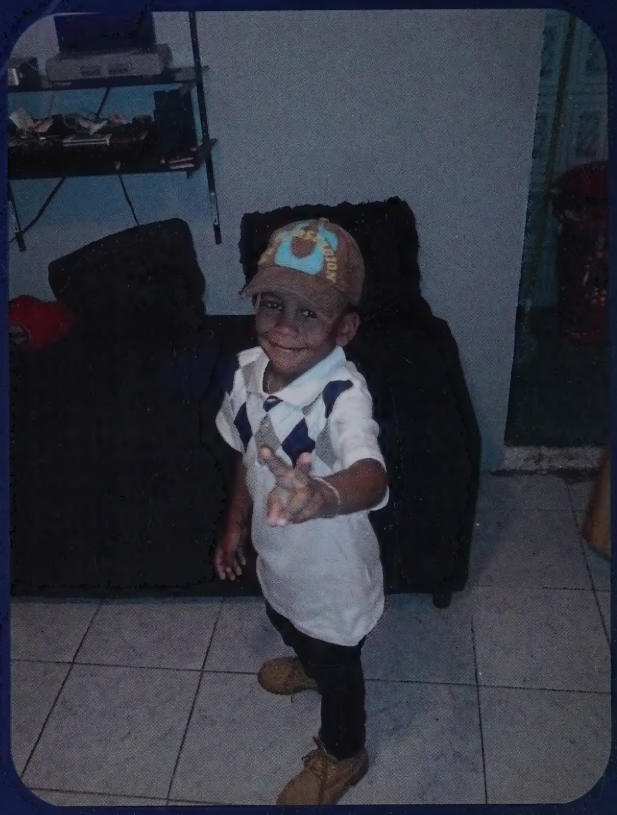

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Ramrattan, Divya

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Rojas, Lia

Patino Ortega, Leonela

Pizarro, Jared

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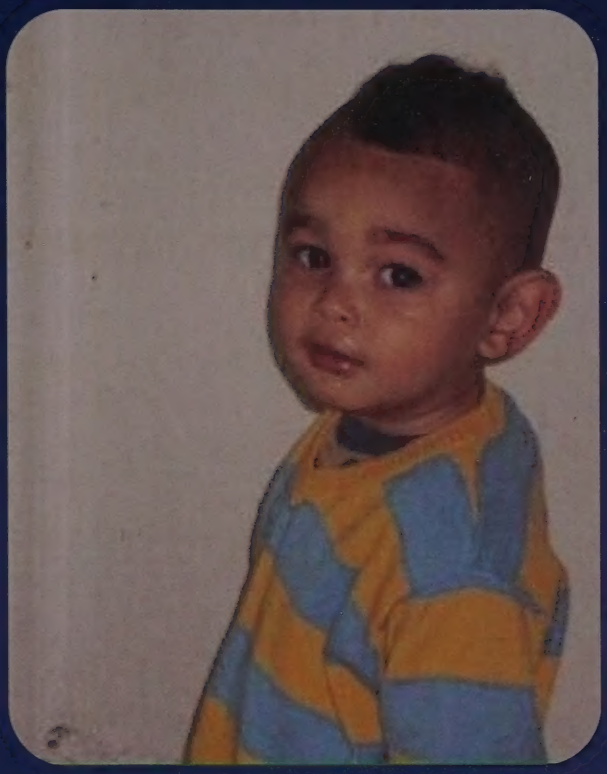

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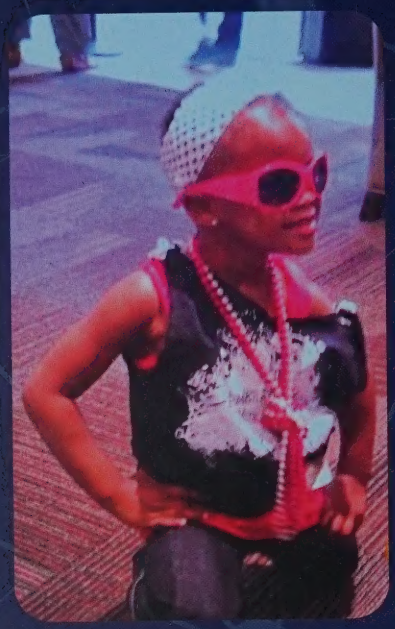

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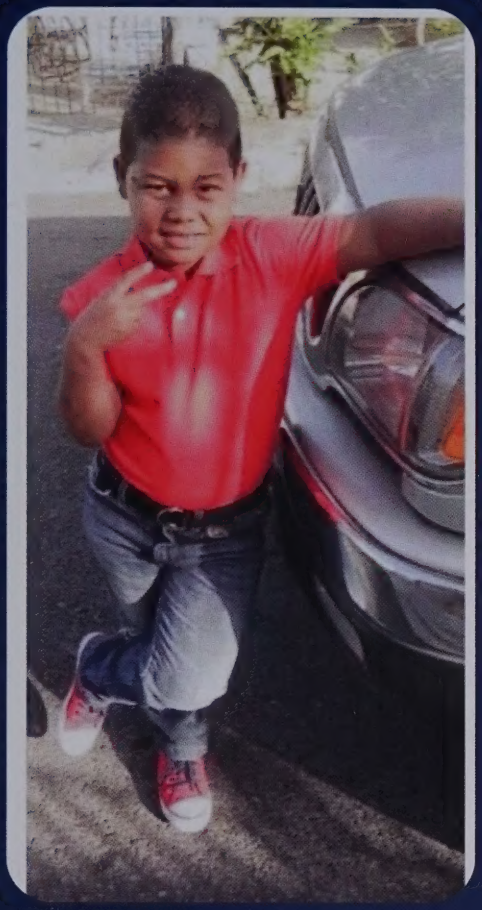

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Villarreal, Kristell

Wright-Thompson, Na'ziyyah

Senior Quotes

"Vive feliz, porque tú tienes el derecho
Tú decides quién eres y adónde vas
No sueltes el volante, y no mires pa' atrás"

Guallpa, Amy

"You can't just sit there and wait for life to come to you, you have to go get it."
Damon Salvatore

Guzman, Eamanda

4 years of Screams But I killed it!

Harrison, Anastasiya

Todos tus sueños pueden hacerse realidad si tienes el coraje de perseguirlos ..

Iglesias Villanuevas, Genesis

"Y que él futuro, recuerde el esfuerzo del pasado"

Lebrun Louimene, Genardo

"You must always have faith in people"
Elle Woods

Wright-Thompson, Na'ziyyah

Senior Quotes

I grew up faster than I should have, but I didn't give up.

Cordero, Idalis

El que no la vive no la entiende.

Espinal Gomez, Ashly

Just because it takes time doesn't mean it won't happen.

Espinosa, Cristal

"You & me got a whole lot of history."
History
by One Direction

Esposito, Jaslyn

"Duró poco, pero no importa, valió la pena "
A.Y.S

Garces, Shirley

Vive feliz por qué tú tienes el derecho.
Tu decides quien eres y adónde vas.
Junior H

Garcia Garcia, Linsey

Senior Quotes

Ni tu ni yo ni nadie golpeara tan duro como la vida, pero no importa lo duro que lo haga, importa lo duro que resistas y sigas avanzando.

Ricardo Acosta Chipantiza

"Duró poco, pero no importa, valió la pena Y.S.A

Berrones, Ambar

"My story is just beginning, and I can't wait to live it."

Cardenas Arteaga, Milagros Salome

It won't happen overnight, but if you quit, it won't happen at all.

Kimberly Avila

"Good things come to those who hustle"

Hailey Baez

"El que quiere se supera, siempre ténganlo presente
Sé que el camino no es fácil, pero tienes que ser fuerte"

Blanco Cervantes, Lucero

En la vida, todo cambia: el mundo, la gente, todo...excepto lo bueno. Gracias por ser eso bueno que siempre queda en nuestro corazón.

Cevallos Jara, Luz

Senior Quotes

"Duró poco, pero no importa, valió la pena."
S.A.Y

Lopez Asitumbay, Yajaira

"Set your heart ablaze"
Kyōjurō Rengoku

Martin, Breanna

"En este mundo todo se puede lograr, con Dios por delante, porque Él nos va a guiar".

Hermanos Espinoza

Mendez, Joselyn

Maybe, forever was a word meant for memories, not people.

Moran Seavichay, Joselyn

"Los años pasan y el tiempo es oro. Se que algún dia lo tendré todo, el reloj corre y no se detiene Personas van y personas vienen "

Fidel MR

Patino Ortega, Leonela

Senior Quotes

"Como en un país extraño me encontré... y en medio de mi confusión se alzaba tu bandera"

Jesús Adrián Romero.

Gracias Dios y gracias a mis padres por guiarme hasta aquí.

Pozo Chango, Naidelyn

No matter how many losses does is it take to get a win, enjoy your path and process because success takes time, embrace your time and never forget, "God's Time is Perfect".

Ellianna Ramirez Miss Universe
Dominican Republic

Ramirez Marte, Carmen

To my parents who came here with nothing and gave me everything.

Ramrattan, Divy

Never forget who you are on the inside and love yourself only for the strongest version of you . Never forget the words that made you feel your worst and remember who stayed at your best

Soto, Lily Zuleyna

Senior Quotes

''Anything is possible if you've got enough nerve.''

Ginny Weasley

Rivera, Jayleen

Hoy cierro una etapa, manana conquisto mis suenos.

Rodriguez Ogando, Alexa

Intentar hacerlo bien, aprender cuando lo hago mal y fingir que todo fue parte del plan.

Rojas, Yselyn

'Duro poco, pero no importa, valio la pena.'
Eugenio Derbez

Sandoval, Flavia

All in all, I learned a lesson from it, though.
Drake

Singletary, Jaliyah

“I am the one who decides my worth, and I am worthy of everything.”

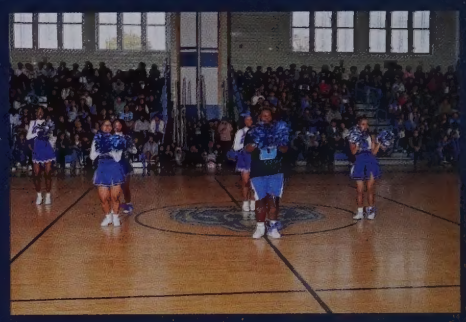
Torres, Selena

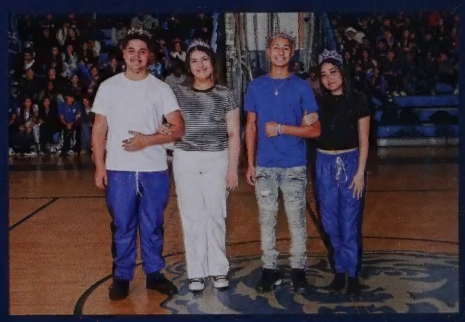
It only took me 29 years to graduate
Pared, Natasha

Ifinally found the bus ticket

Mrs. Davis, Tammy

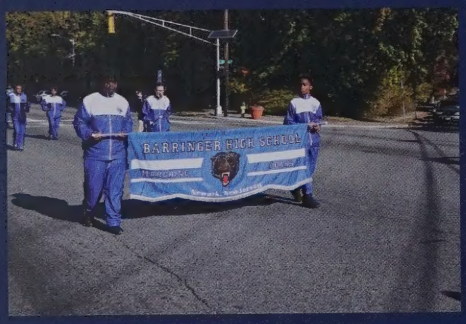
Pep Rally





Pep Rally

Homecoming Parade



Homecoming Parade

HomeComing King
Angel Rodriguez

HomeComing Queen
Brianna Arce

HomeComing Prince
Richard Cardona

Home Coming Princess
Kristel Villareal

Homecoming

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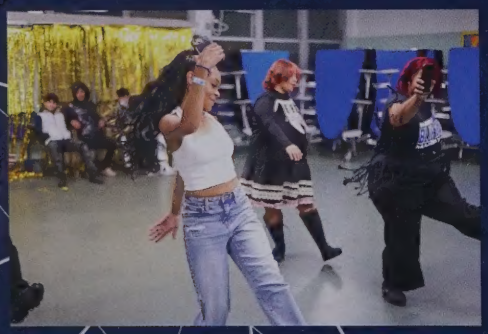
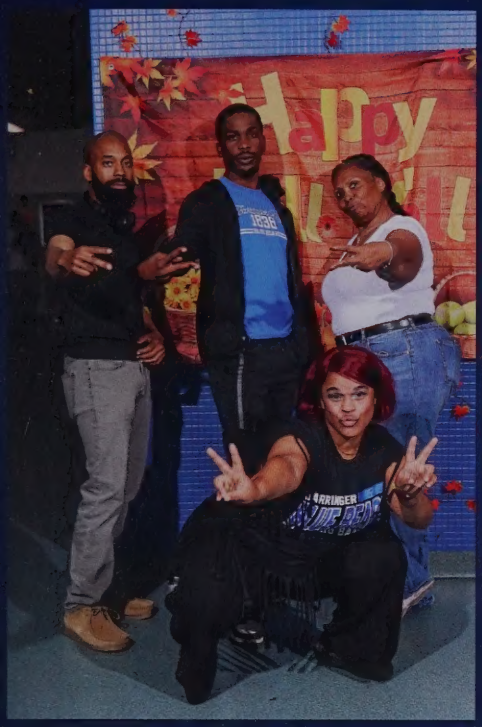
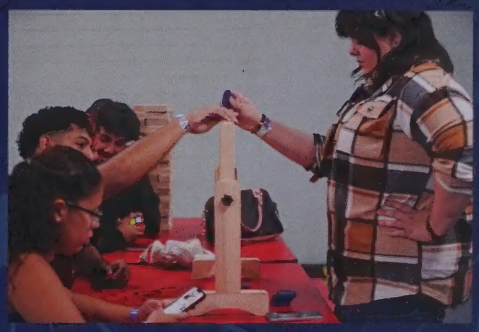
Homecoming Dance



Homecoming Dance





Football

Seniors:
Jayden Serrano, Sincere Charles, Jaylen, Singleton, Greg Dixon, Amir Correa, Jeremiah Santos, Daniel Ramirez and Christopher Alaniz

Football

Football

Football

Boys Soccer

Seniors

Jesus Espinoza, Esteban Chillogalli, Genardo Lebrun, Jarol Padilla, Jorge Olivas, Jamir Rivera, Mateo Guaillazaca, Victor Bajana and Diego Morales

Boys Soccer

Girls Soccer

Seniors
Aryainy Bautista, Tatiana Almachi, Janet Yanez, Stephanie Sanango, Greysi Pineda, Anahi Delgado and Fernanda Ochoa

Girls Soccer

Girls Soccer Senior Night

Girls Soccer Senior Night

Cross Country

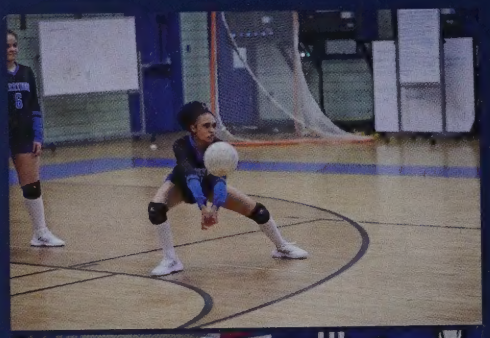
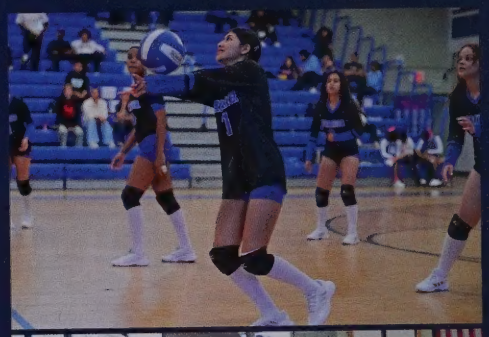
Seniors
Jarell Spriggins, Elijah Battle, Christopher Jones Jr., Davion Connor, Astrid Ortiz and Israel Tobee

Cross Country

Girls Volleyball

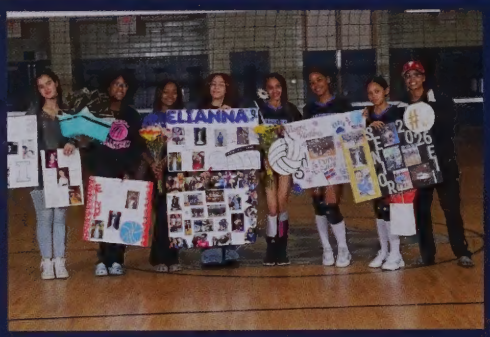
Seniors

Carmen Elianna Ramirez Marte, Natalia Rojas, Lia Victoria Rojas, Jazmin Jeongseo Cisneros Cardenas, Alexandra Denise Ortega Medina, Sara Moreta and Luz M. Cruz-Bernard

Girls Volleyball

Girls Volleyball Senior Night



Girls Volleyball Senior Night

Girls Volleyball Media Day

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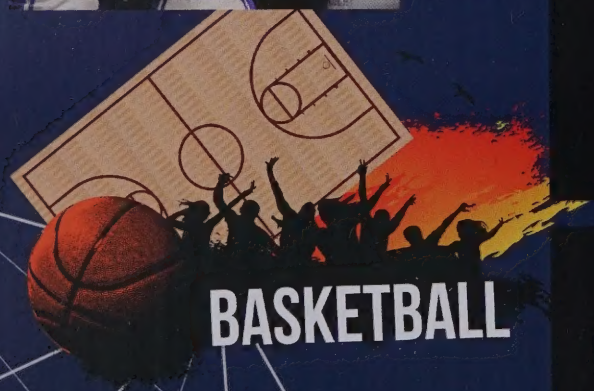
Girls Basketball

Seniors: Laylah Hannibal #50, Alondra Dominguez #14, Selah Valle #35, Joelys Rojas #3 and Yurani Hurtado #11



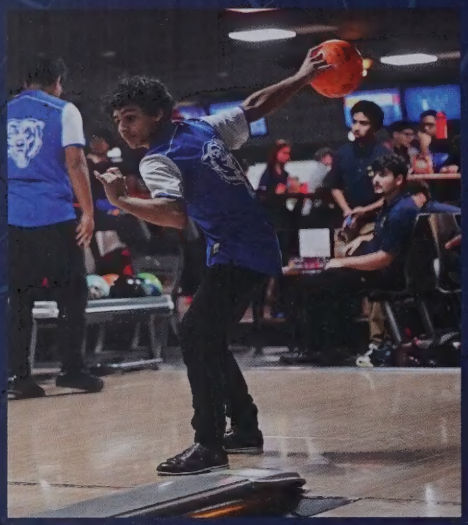
Girls Basketball

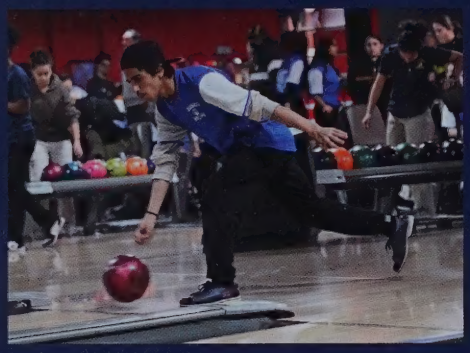
Boys Basketball

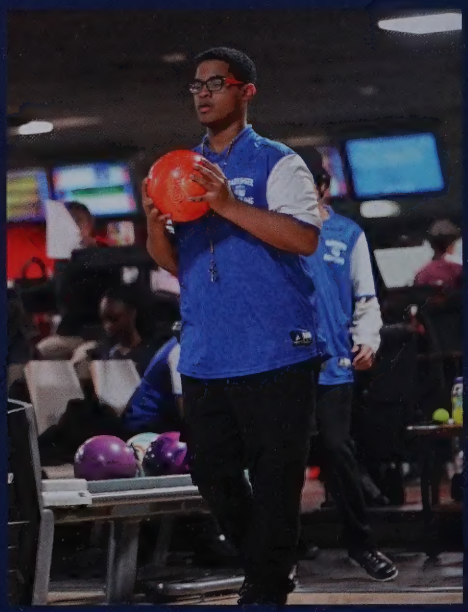
Left to right
Principal Pared, Jayden Gomez, Alan Henriquez, Taquan Martin, Kendall Grant, Nelfy De Jesus and Frederick Guerrero

Senior Night

Bowling





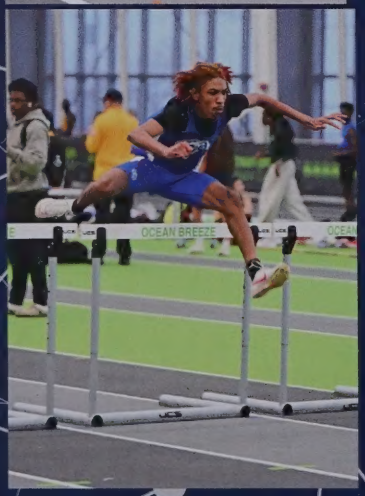


Bowling

Seniors
Zuleyna Soto, Jasmine DelValle, Jaliyah Isler, Alanis Mandia, Dayana Molina, Kristel Villareal, Ydalis Ferrer, Jean Luis Lopez and Alex Heredia

Indoor Track

Kimora Hinton, Ada Bejarano, Selena Torres,



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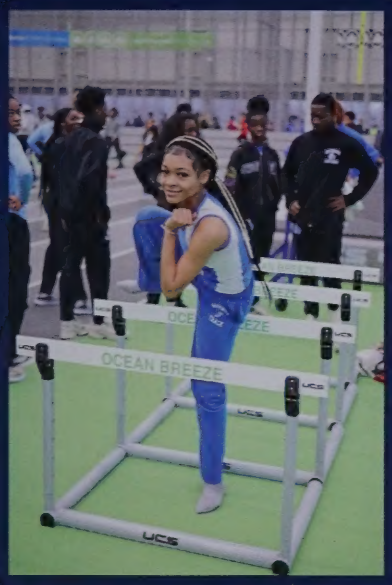
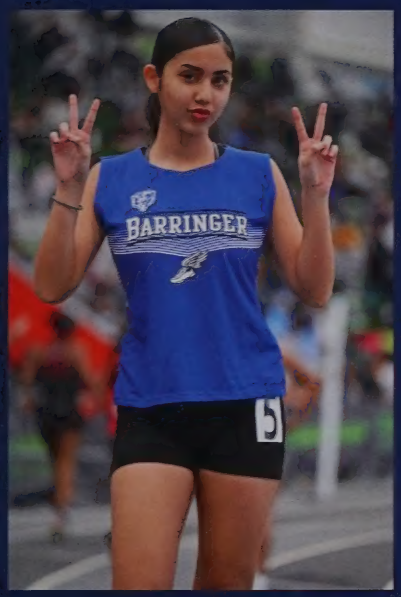
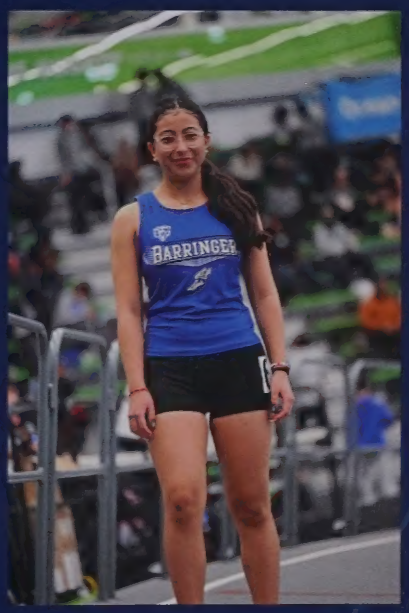
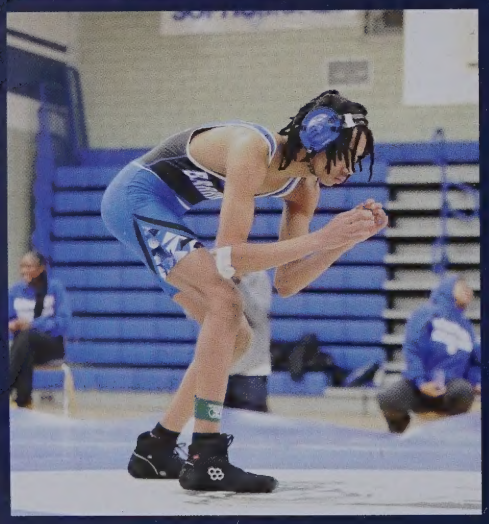


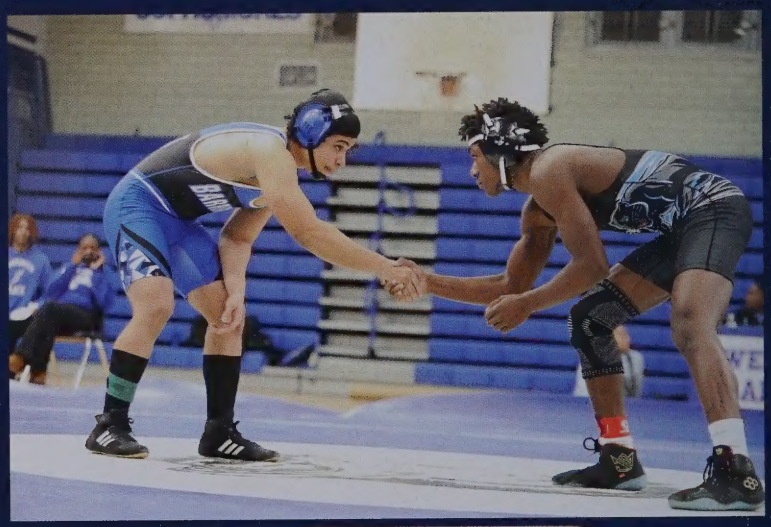


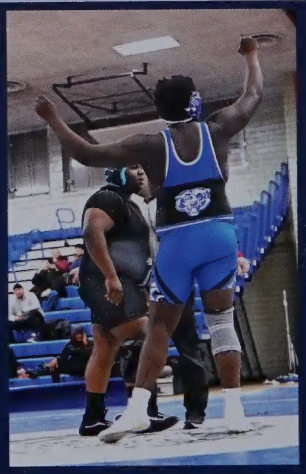


Wrestling

Seniors
Jaasiel Aguilar, Sincere Charles, Dalten Quito and Greg Dixon







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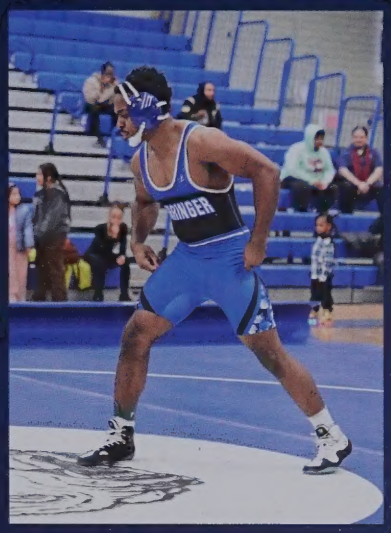
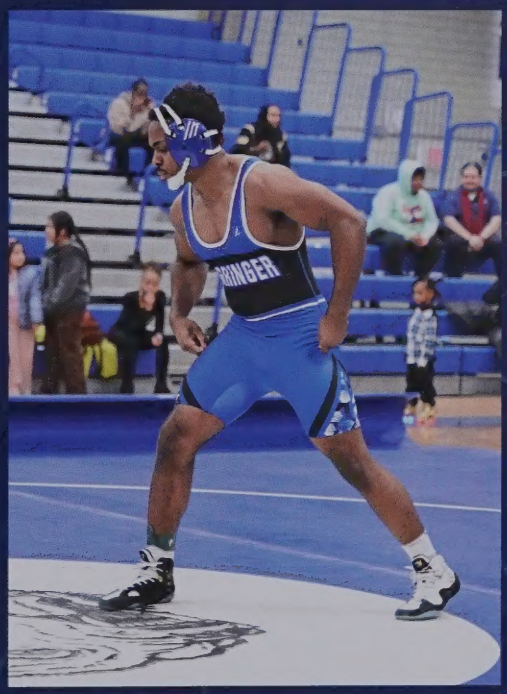
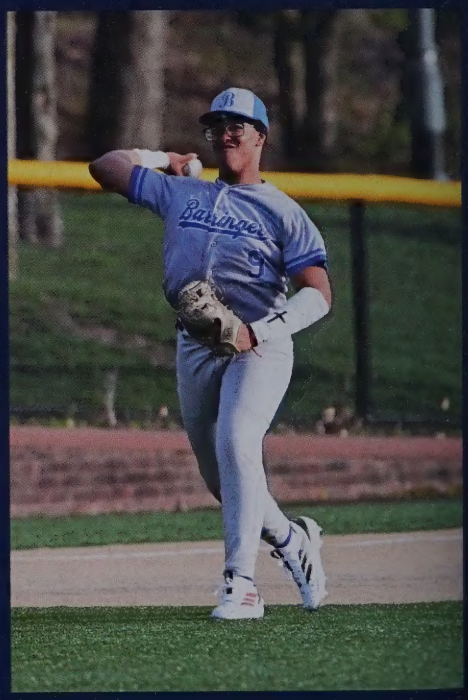




Baseball

Seniors
Aaron Baez, Weeldens Casimir, Nasire Cooper, Olatokumbo Jayeola, Nyzir Kearny, Fernando Lebron, Pedro Lopez, Ahmir Norman, Ahmad Norman, Demetrius Penn, Melvin Marango and Mehki Toledo



Baseball

Softball

Seniors

Lizette Hernandez, Carmen Elianna Ramirez, Jaliyah Isler, Ydalis Ferrer, Joelis Rojas, Alisson Cazun, Luisa Rincon, Alanis Mandia, Alexandra Ortega, Angela Custodio, Leonela Patino and Lucero Blanco

Softball

Softball Media Day

Softball Media Day

Flag Football

1st flag football team in Barringer's history

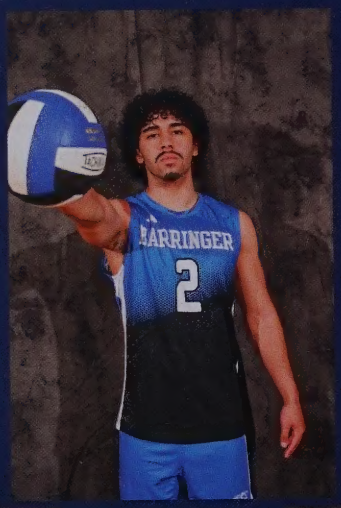
Seniors
Kimora Hinton, Ashly Sosa,
Yamilet Torres, Ada Bejorano and Yamilet Vargas

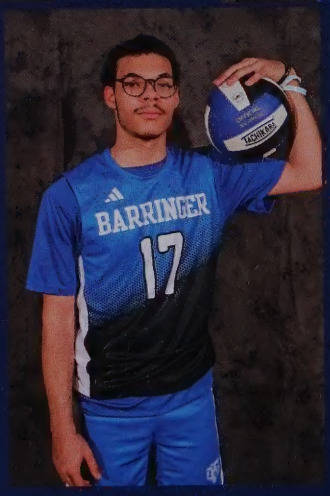
Flag Football

Boys Volleyball

Seniors

Luis Santos, Matias Soria, Anderson Lopez, Alan Henriquez and Alvaro Matos Cuadro





Boys Volleyball

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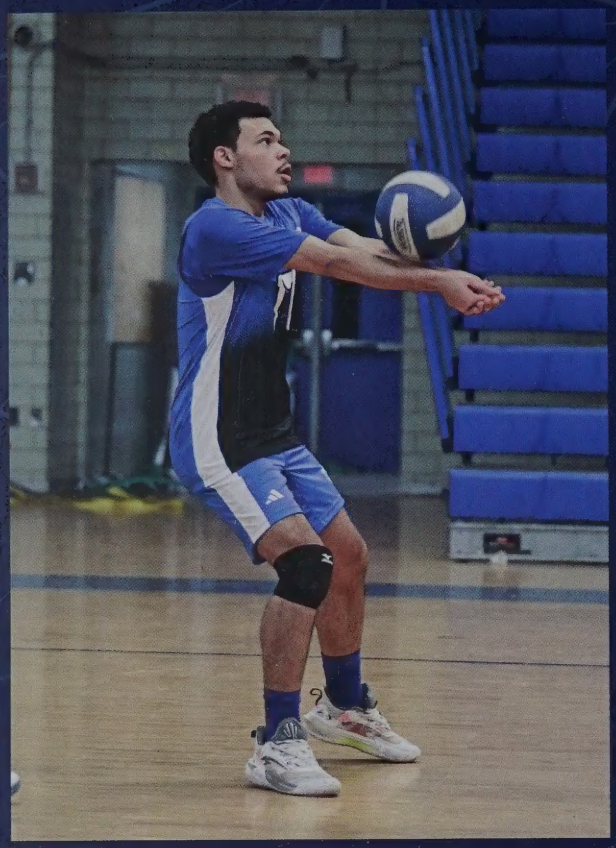

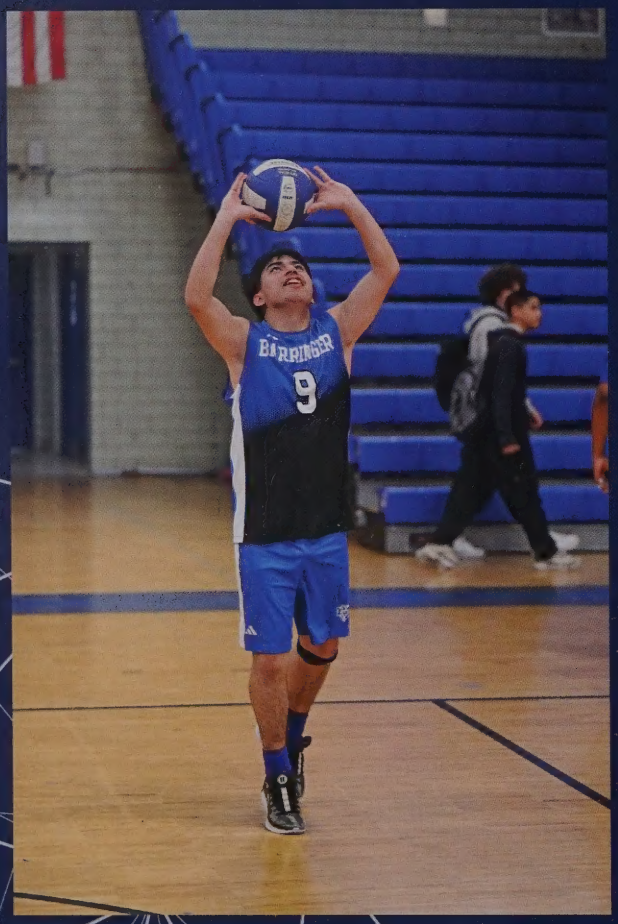

Boys Volleyball

Track & Field

Senior Girls

Ada Bejarana, Kimora Hinton, Mariana Beltran, Alondra Dominguez, Selah Valle, Valery Acevedo, Laylah Hannibal, Jasmine DelValle, Emily Mateo and Juliana Martinez

Senior Boys

Khalil Rhone, Greg Dixon, Jeremiah Santos, Dylan Arrobo, Jared Pizarro, Diomar Pena and Jaylen Singleton

Track & Field

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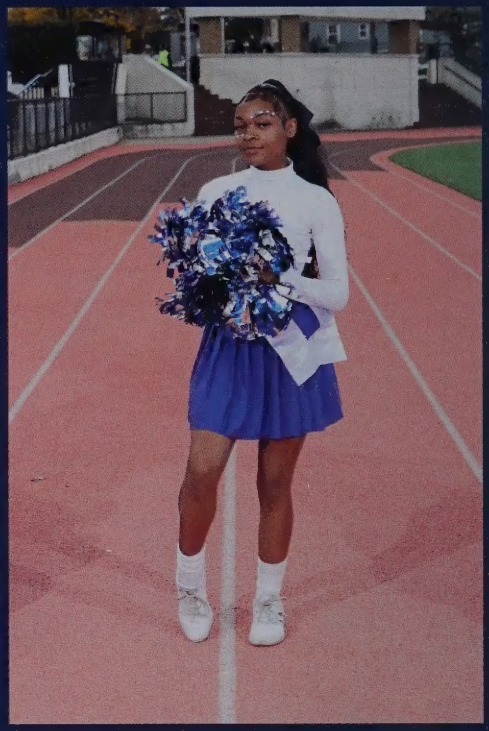
Homecoming Cheer Squad



Cheer Squad Media Day

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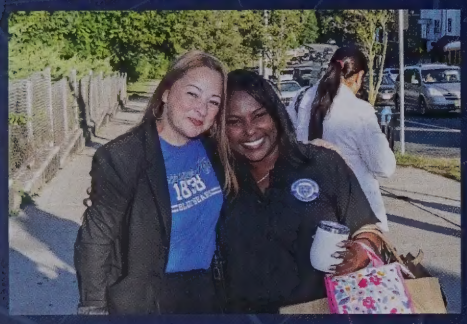
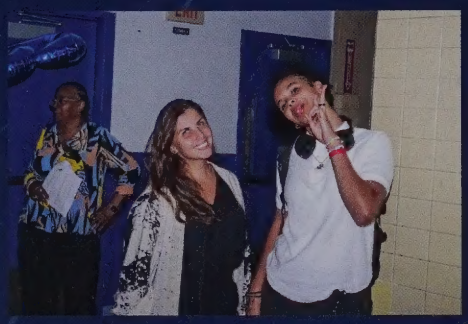
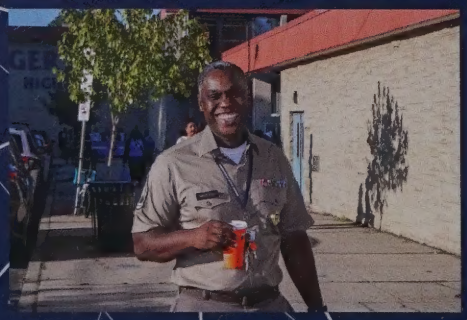
Cheer Squad Senior Night

Frederick Guerrero 1000 points

First Day of School



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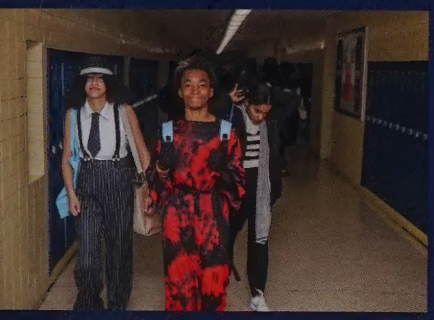
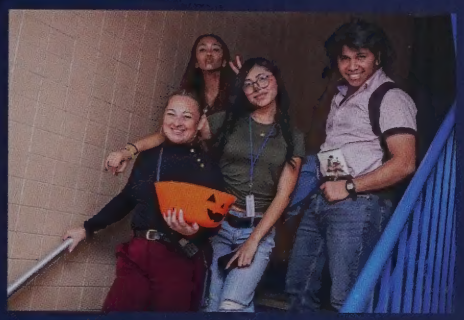

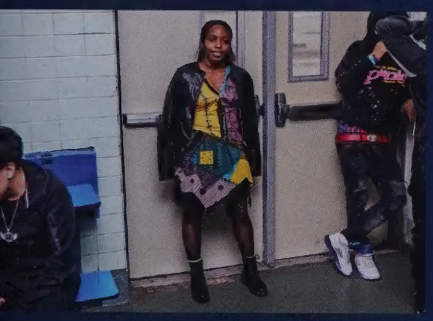
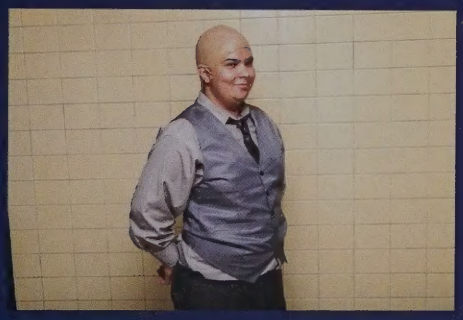
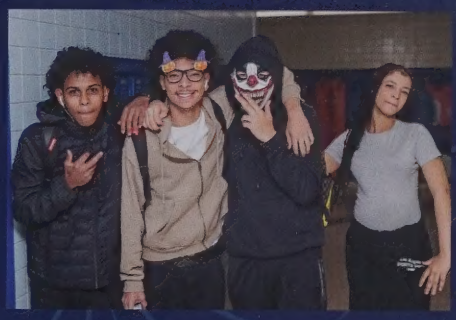

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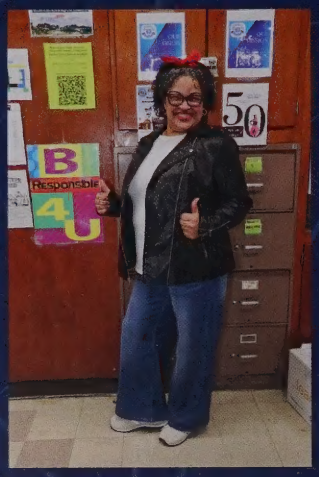

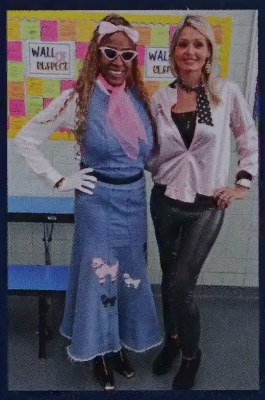

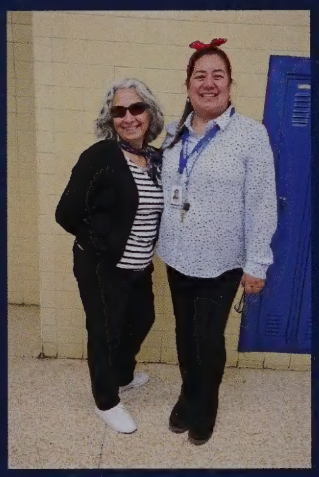

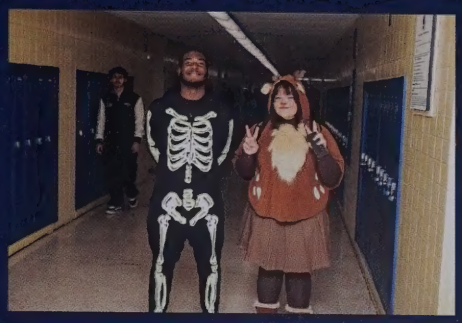

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Back to School Night

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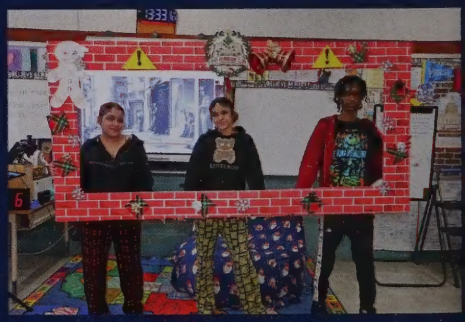

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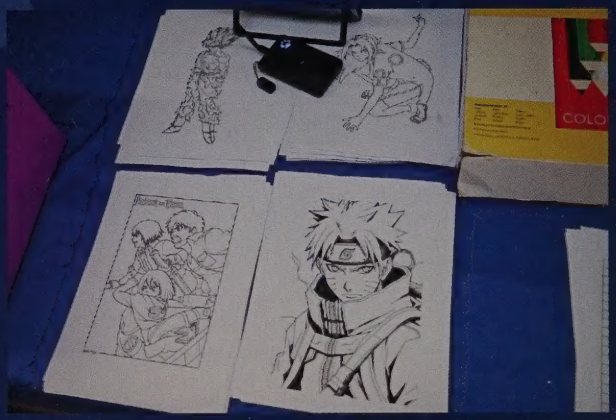

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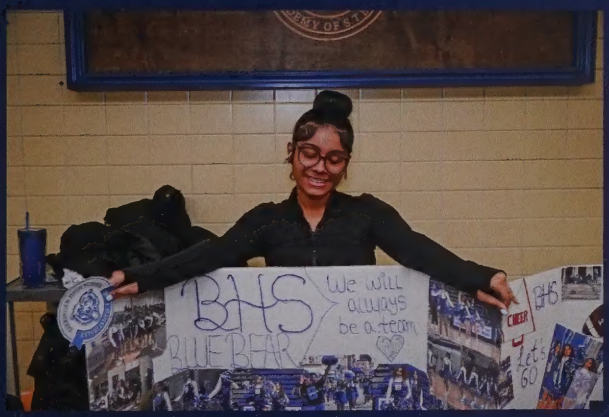
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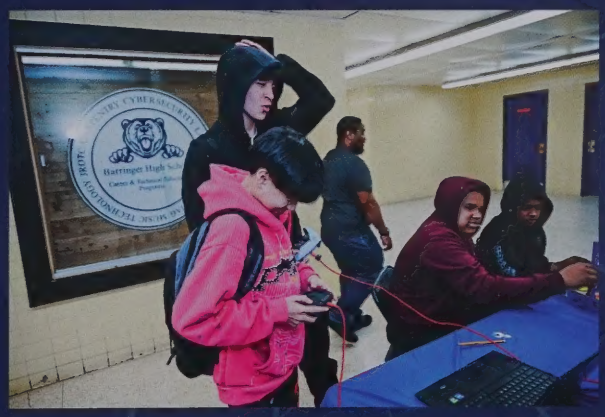

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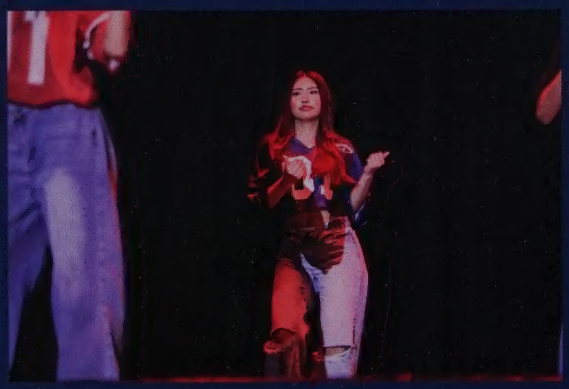

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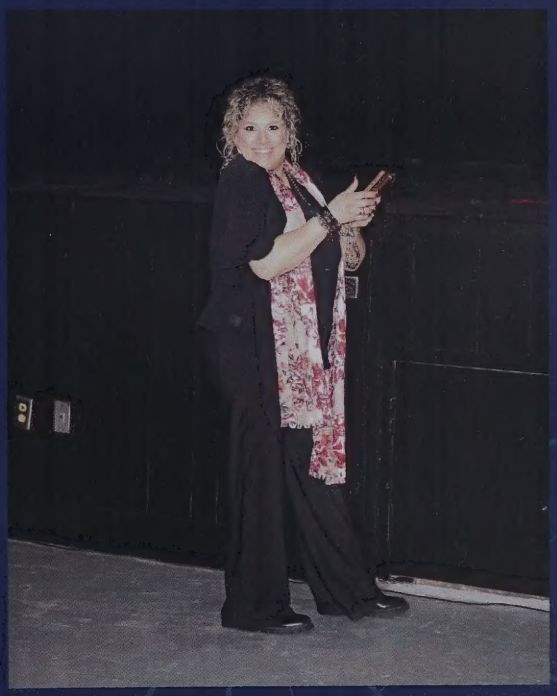

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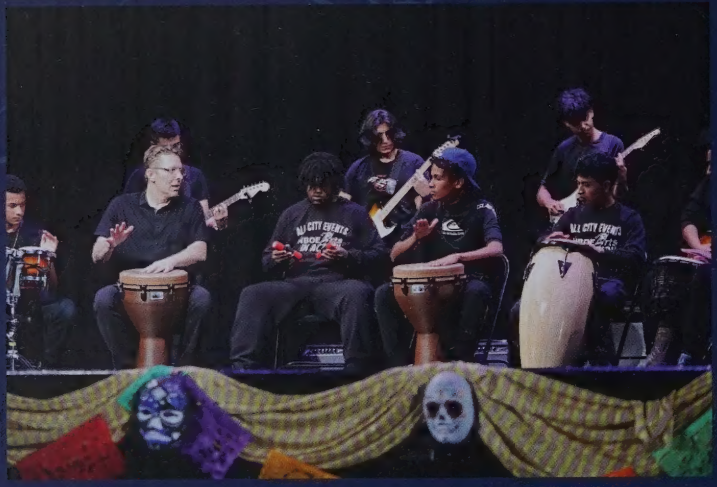

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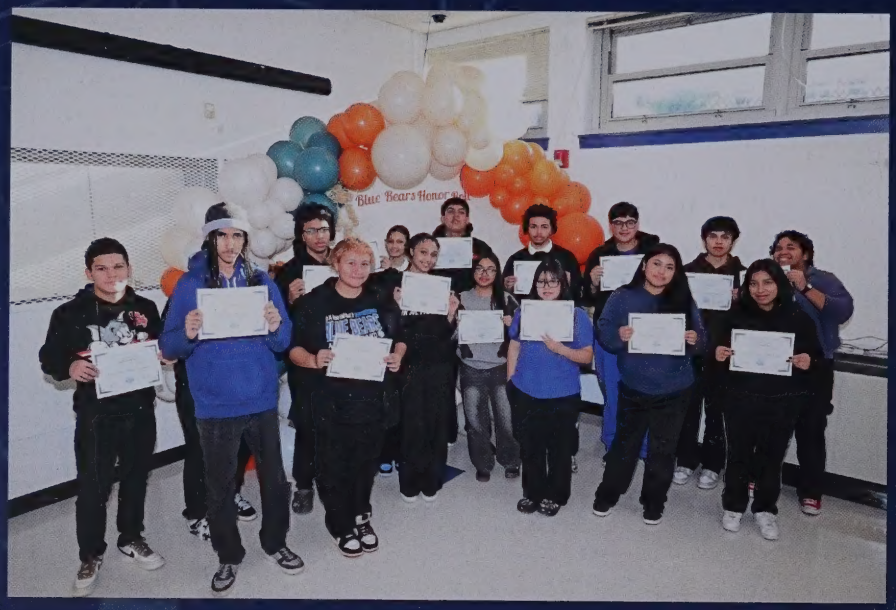

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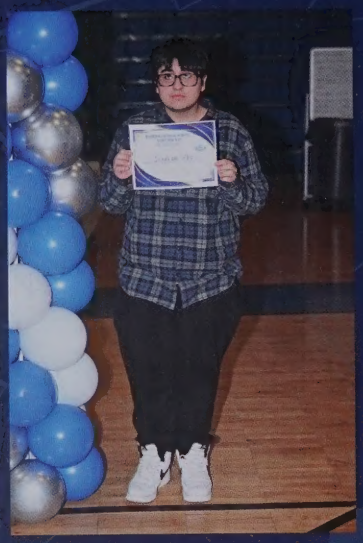

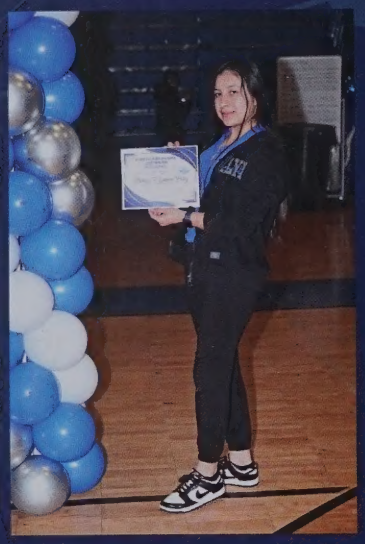
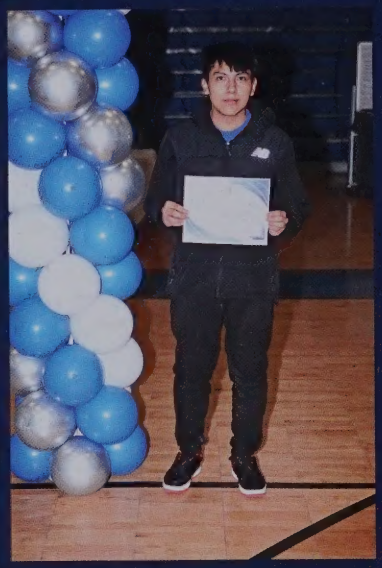

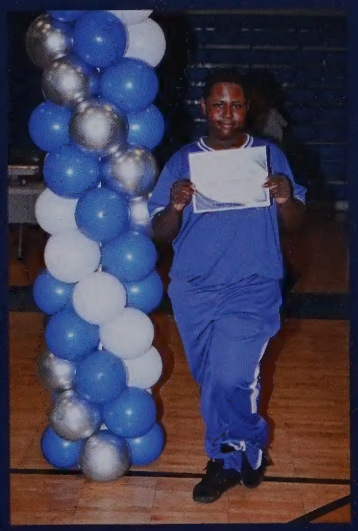

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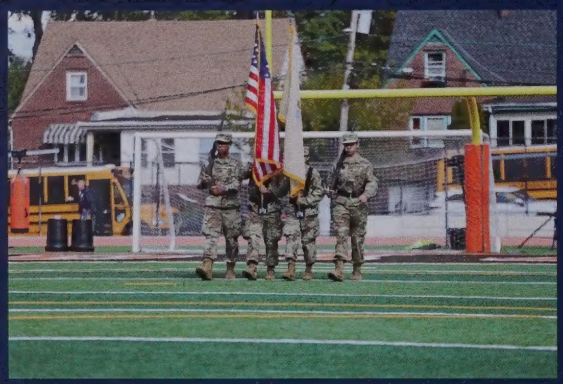

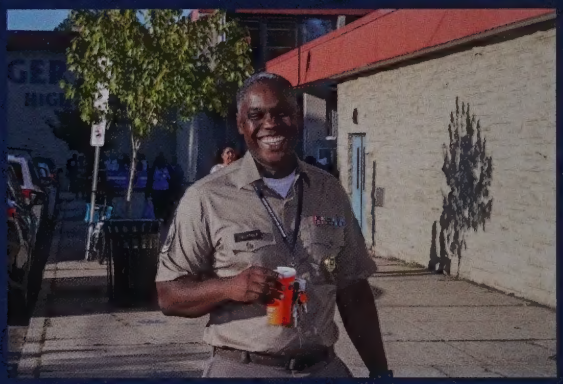

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Seniors
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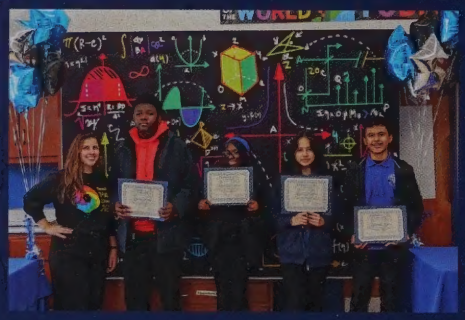

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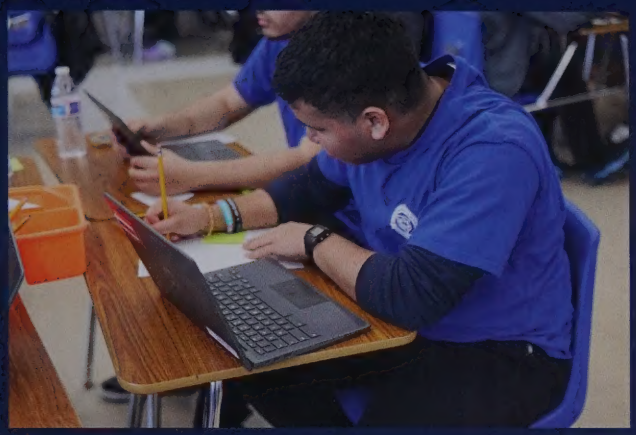

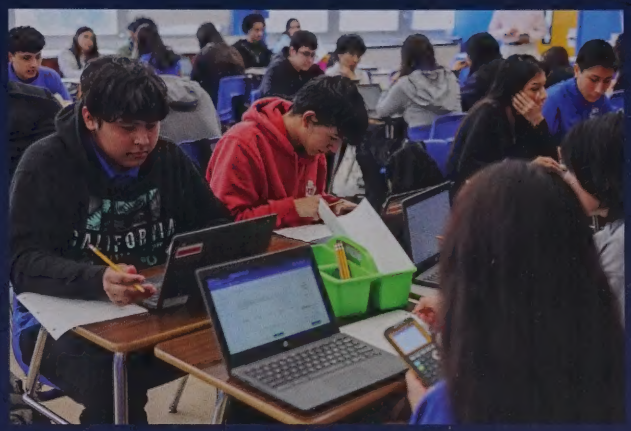

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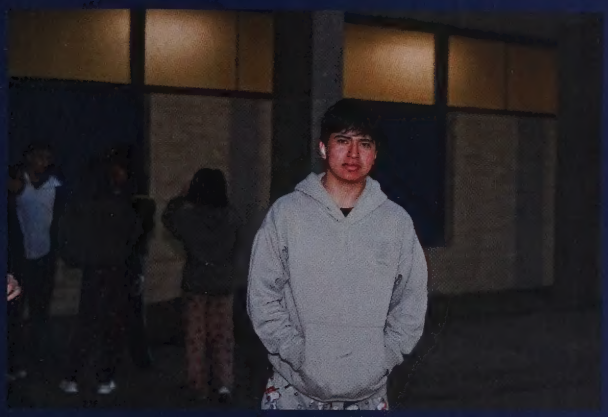

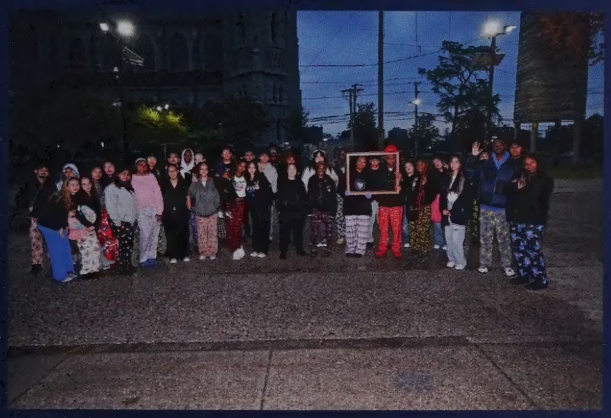

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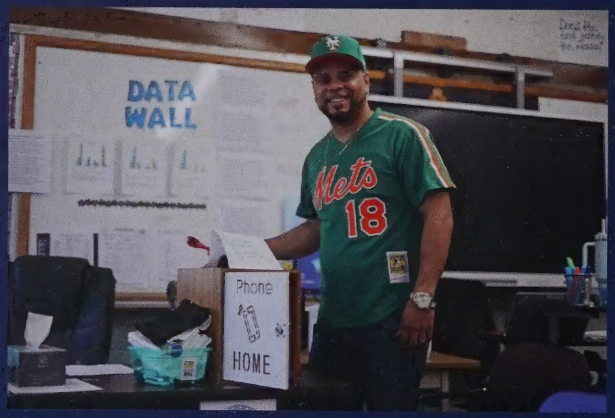
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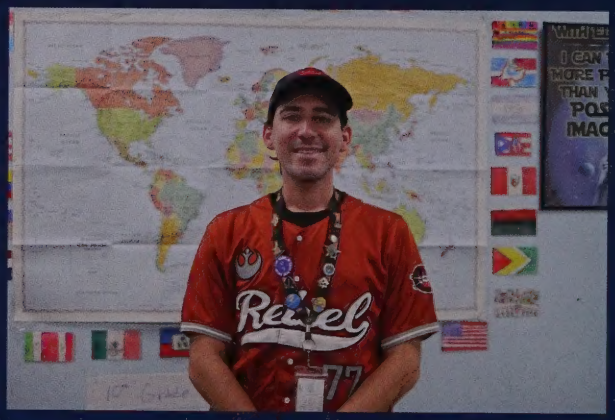
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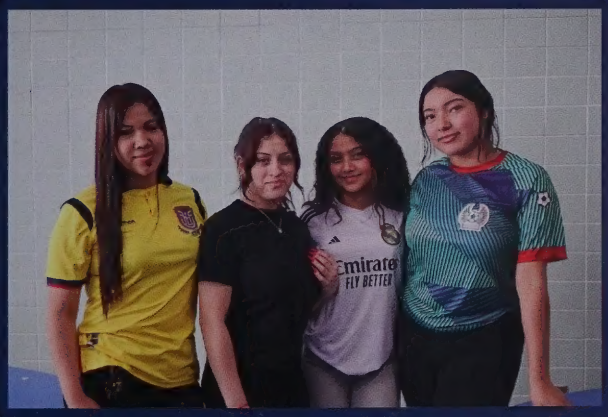
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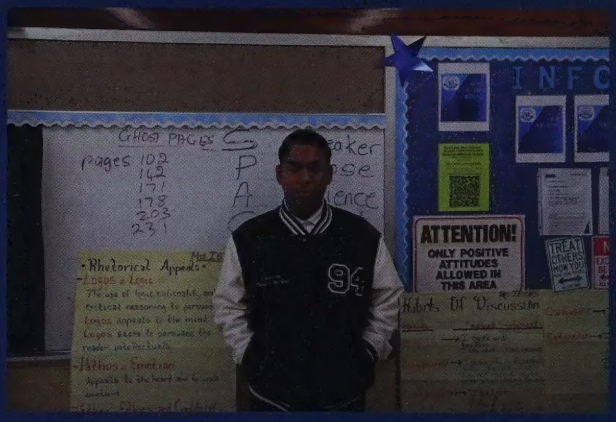

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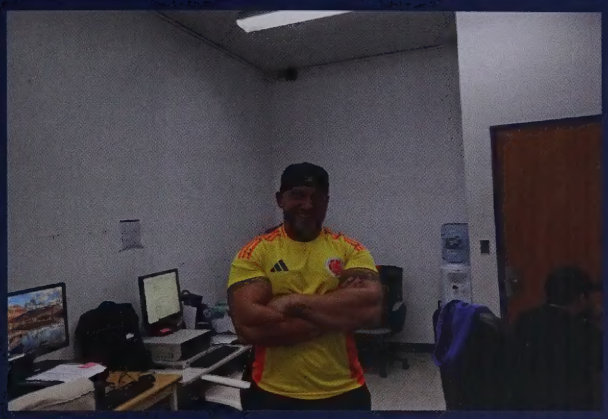

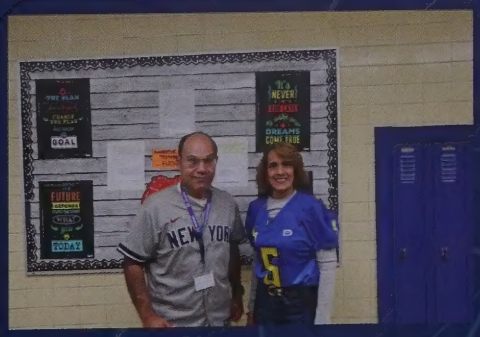

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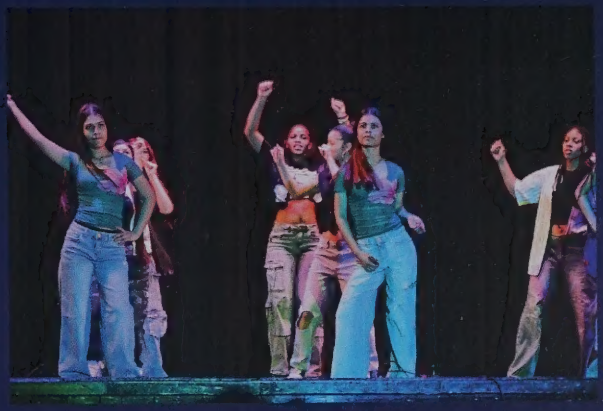

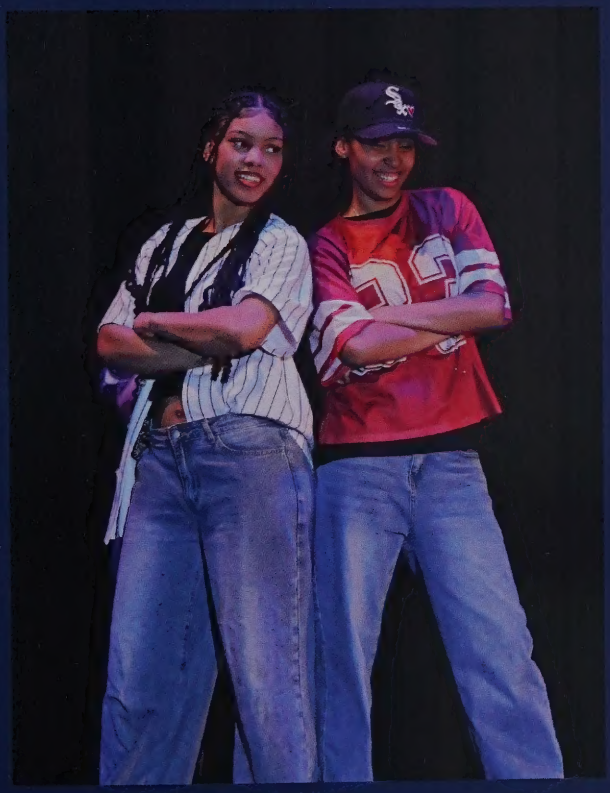

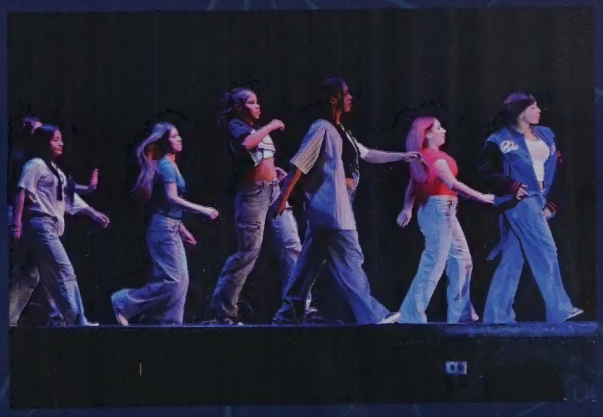

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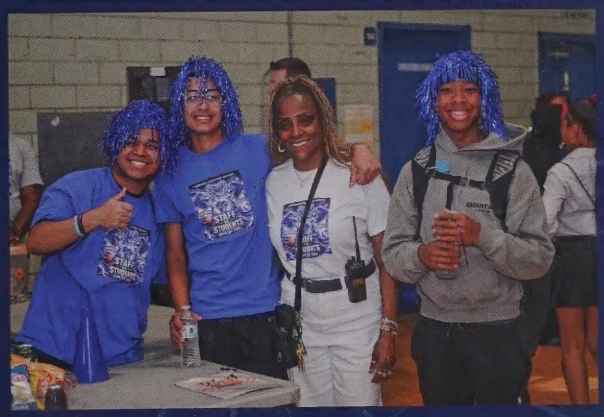

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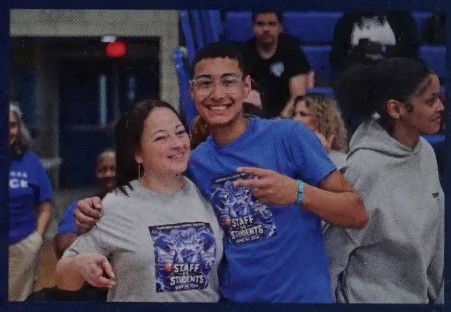

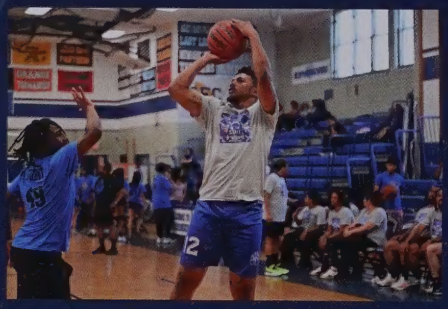

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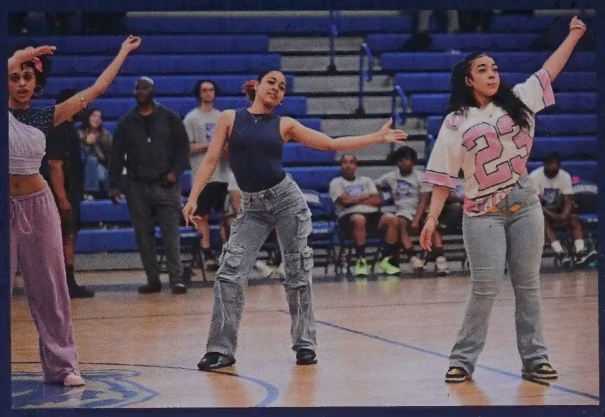

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Religion and Society

* Election of Pope Leo XIV: Following the death of Pope Francis, Cardinal Robert Prevo was elected as the first-ever American pope, taking the name Leo XIV.

* Jubilee 2025: The Catholic Church celebrated its 2025 Holy Year, a major once-every-25-years event that drew millions of pilgrims to Rome.

* Church of England Milestone: Sarah Mullally became the first woman appointed as the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Culture and Sports

* Major Sporting Events: Pakistan and the UAE co-hosted the 2025 ICC Champions Trophy (Cricket World Cup format), and the UK hosted the Women's Rugby World Cup.

* Pop Culture: Beyoncé won the Grammy for Album of the Year for Cowboy Carter, and Anora dominated the 97th Academy Awards.

Top Social Media Platforms of 2025

* Facebook: Remained the world's most popular platform with 3.07 billion monthly active users (MAUs).

* Instagram & WhatsApp: Tied for second globally, each reaching 3 billion MAUs.

* YouTube: Followed closely with 2.58 billion users, maintaining its dominance as the primary video-sharing site.

* TikTok: Reached nearly 2 billion MAUs and continued to lead in daily engagement, with users spending an average of 34 hours per month on the app.

* Threads: Surpassed 350 million MAUs by April 2025, solidifying its position as a major competitor for real-time news and discussion.

Key 2025 Social Media Trends

AI-Assisted Everything: Generative AI moved from experimental to standard infrastructure, used by over 88% of marketers for rapid content creation, personalized messaging, and campaign optimization.

Social Commerce & Live Shopping: Social platforms became vital storefronts, with global social commerce projected to reach $1.2 trillion by 2025. TikTok Shop and Instagram Shop leveraged one-click checkouts and live shopping events to turn discovery into instant sales.

The Rise of "Micro-Communities": Users increasingly shifted away from large, noisy feeds toward niche, authentic spaces like Discord, Reddit, and private Facebook Groups.

Video Dominance: Short-form video (Reels, Shorts, TikToks) remained the primary format, though platforms began extending lengths (e.g., YouTube Shorts up to three minutes) to support deeper storytelling.

Social Search: Nearly one in three consumers (and over half of Gen Z) now bypass traditional search engines to start their product or information searches directly on TikTok, Instagram, or YouTube.

Nano & Micro-Influencer Pivot: Brands moved away from "mega-influencers" in favor of smaller creators (10k–50k followers) who delivered up to 60% more engagement and higher trust with niche audiences.

Emerging Platforms to Watch

Lemon8: A hybrid of Instagram and Pinterest, highly popular for lifestyle and beauty content.
Bluesky & Farcaster: Gained traction as decentralized, user-controlled alternatives to traditional text-based social networks.

Zelly: An audio-forward platform focused on short podcasts and voice-only communication.

Music Milestones and Charts

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Top 2025 Albums: Taylor Swift's The Life of a Showgirl was the No. 1 album on the 2025 year-end Billboard 200. Morgan Wallen's I'm The Problem was the most-streamed album in the U.S. and topped Apple Music's year-end list.

Global Streaming Leaders: Bad Bunny was Spotify's Global Top Artist for the fourth time, with his album DeBÍ TiRAR MáS FOToS taking the top spot globally.

Chart-Topping Singles: "Die With A Smile" by Lady Gaga and Bruno Mars was the most-streamed song globally. Other major hits included "APT." by ROSÉ and Bruno Mars, and "BIRDS OF A FEATHER" by Billie Eilish.

The Concert Economy

Highest-Grossing Tours: Live music reached new financial heights in 2025:

Coldplay: Their Music of the Spheres World Tour led the year with over $464.9 million in revenue.

Beyoncé: The Cowboy Carter Tour earned $407.6 million, becoming the highest-grossing country tour in history.

The Weeknd: His After Hours Til Dawn Tour officially crossed the $1 billion mark during its multi-year run.

Nostalgia and Festivals: The Vans Warped Tour made a highly anticipated return, and My Chemical Romance performed stadium shows celebrating the 20th anniversary of The Black Parade.

Film and Box Office

Global Box Office Leaders: 2025 saw multiple films join the "Billion Dollar Club":

Ne Zha 2: The Chinese animated sequel was the highest-grossing film worldwide, earning over $2.1 billion.

Zootopia 2: Disney's sequel smashed expectations, earning $1.4 billion globally.

Lilo & Stitch: The live-action remake reached $1 billion worldwide.

Major Domestic Hits: In North America, A Minecraft Movie led the box office with over $423 million, followed closely by the live-action Lilo & Stitch.

Cultural Cinema Moments: Wicked: For Good (the sequel to the 2024 film) and James Gunn's Superman were among the most discussed and commercially successful releases of the year.

World affairs 2025

2025 was a year of historic political shifts, major religious milestones, and significant breakthroughs in technology and space.

Political and Global Governance

* U.S. Presidential Transition: Donald Trump was inaugurated for a second term in January 2025, immediately impacting global trade and domestic policy with a federal spending freeze and new tariff debates.

* Middle Power Influence: "Middle powers" (nations beyond the U.S., China, and Russia) grew as vital stabilizing forces within multilateral institutions.

* Historic Leadership Firsts: Japan and Namibia inaugurated their first female heads of government—Sanae Takaichi and Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, respectively.

* Youth Activism: Gen Z–led protests, most notably in Morocco, emerged as a powerful political force demanding economic reform and transparency.

Conflict and Humanitarian Crisis

* War and Ceasefires: While the Russia-Ukraine War entered its fourth year, a ceasefire deal was finally reached in the Israel-Hamas War after two years of fighting.

* Humanitarian Strain: 2025 was cited as one of the worst humanitarian years on record due to funding cuts, famines, and ongoing climate-induced displacement. Science, Technology, and Environment

* AI Integration: Artificial Intelligence transitioned from a speculative tool to a core component of global business, driving record investment and economic growth.

* Commercial Space Milestone: Firefly Aerospace's Blue Ghost lander successfully achieved the first soft landing of a commercial vehicle on the Moon near Mare Crisium.

* Climate Reality: 2025 ranked among the top three warmest years on record, marked by devastating typhoons in Asia and record-breaking wildfires in California.

World Affairs 2025

Viral Moments and Celebrity Culture

Taylor Swift & Travis Kelce: The couple officially announced their engagement in late 2025 becoming one of the year's biggest tabloid stories.

Katy Perry in Space: In April, Katy Perry joined a Blue Origin mission, singing a rendition of "What a Wonderful World" from orbit, which became a widely shared meme.

Super Bowl LIX: Kendrick Lamar's halftime show was the most-watched of all time, featuring surprise appearances by SZA and Serena Williams.

Labubu Craze: The "Labubu" plush monster toys became the must-have fashion accessory of 2025, frequently seen hanging from the bags of celebrities and influencers.

World Affairs 2026

In 2026, world affairs are dominated by a "Pax Trumpiana" that tests global stability through transactional diplomacy and high-tariff trade policies. While the year marks the 250th anniversary of the United States, it is also a critical juncture for international alliances as middle powers and European allies navigate a world increasingly less dependent on American leadership.

Geopolitical Flash points & Security

Nuclear Stability: The New START treaty between the U.S. and Russia is scheduled to expire in February 2026, potentially ending bilateral arms control for the first time in over 50 years.

Middle East Fragility:
Despite a U.S.-brokered ceasefire in Gaza, tensions remain high as regional powers test the durability of "uneasy peaces." Lebanon's May 2026 parliamentary elections are seen as a vital opportunity for domestic stabilization.

U.S.-China Relations:
A planned state visit by President Trump to Beijing this spring is expected to define whether the two rivals can establish a new modus vivendi amid ongoing trade wars and technological competition.

World Affairs 2026

Economic & Technological Shifts

The AI Great Divide: Global AI capabilities remain concentrated in the U.S. and China. In 2026, middle powers are expected to push for "technological sovereignty," with major regulatory discussions slated for the AI Impact Summit in New Delhi (February) and the UN Global AI Dialogue in Geneva (July).
Trade Renegotiations: The trade agreement between the U.S., Canada, and Mexico (USMCA) comes up for a critical six-year review in July, coinciding with North America's hosting of the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

Major Global Events & Conferences

Conference on World Affairs (CWA): The 78th annual Conference on World Affairs at CU Boulder will take place April 13–16, 2026, featuring Nobel laureate Malala Yousafzai as the closing speaker.
Global Summits: Key diplomatic gatherings include the BRICS meeting in India, APEC in China (November), and the G20 in the United States (December).
Winter Olympics: The 2026 Winter Olympics are scheduled for February 6–22 in Milan and Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy.

Major Concert Tours & Music Trends

The "Post-Era" Giants: Following the conclusion of the Eras Tour, Taylor Swift remains a dominant cultural force, while Billie Eilish and Chappell Roan lead a new vanguard of pop performers embarking on their largest global stadium runs to date.
The K-Pop Resurgence: 2026 marks the highly anticipated full-group return of BTS following the completion of all members' mandatory military service, with a massive world tour expected to break ticket records.
AI in the Studio: Music streaming platforms are grappling with a surge in "AI-native" artists. Labels are increasingly using Spotify's AI tools to personalize discovery, while the industry pushes for the No FAKES Act to protect artists' vocal likenesses.

Winter & Seasonal Highlights

Milano Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics: Italy hosts the Games from February 6–22. Notable for the debut of ski mountaineering and the return of NHL players to the men's ice hockey tournament, which concluded with a dramatic USA victory over Canada in the gold medal game.

World Baseball Classic (WBC): Taking place from March 5–17, Japan, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. co-host the tournament. Following the global "Ohtani effect," interest has surged, with the finals in Miami expected to draw record viewership.

Super Bowl LX: Held on February 8 at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, the event coincided with the opening weekend of the Winter Olympics, creating an unprecedented "mega-weekend" for sports media.
Halftime Show: Puerto Rican superstar Bad Bunny headlined a high-energy show that featured guest appearances by Lady Gaga and Ricky Martin. The performance made history as the first Super Bowl halftime show headlined by a Latin male artist singing primarily in Spanish.
Pregame Ceremonies: Green Day opened the festivities with a 60th-anniversary tribute, followed by Charlie Puth singing the national anthem, Brandi Carlile performing "America the Beautiful," and Coco Jones singing "Lift Every Voice and Sing".
Broadcast Milestones: The game was broadcast on NBC and streamed on Peacock, drawing an estimated 125 million viewers worldwide.

Emerging Trends & New Formats
Rugby's "Nations Championship": 2026 sees the launch of a new biennial tournament pitting the world's top 12 teams from the Northern and Southern hemispheres against each other in a structured, merit-based league.
Cricket T20 World Cups: India and Sri Lanka hosted the Men's T20 World Cup in February/March, while England and Wales are set to host the Women's T20 World Cup from June 12 – July 5.

Sports Diplomacy: The Trump administration has designated these events as exempt from various travel bans to ensure that international athletes and coaches can compete on U.S. soil, emphasizing "stadium diplomacy" as a tool for international relations.

Cultural Milestones & Events

The "World Cup Summer": The 2026 FIFA World Cup in North America is expected to be the most "musical" tournament yet, with major festivals and artist residencies planned in host cities like Los Angeles, Mexico City, and Toronto.

America 250: The U.S. Semiquincentennial on July 4, 2026, will feature massive synchronized concerts and cultural exhibitions across the United States, blending historical reflection with modern pop culture.

Eurovision 2026: Following Switzerland's hosting duties, the Eurovision Song Contest continues to be a primary vehicle for European soft power and viral digital trends.

Cinema & Literature

The Return of the Epic: Hollywood's 2026 slate is heavy on high-concept sci-fi and the return of major franchises, including the next chapter of the Star Wars saga and highly anticipated literary adaptations from authors like Sally Rooney and Brandon Sanderson.

Digital Humanities:

The Conference on World Affairs is hosting dedicated panels on how TikTok's "BookTok" and "ArtTok" communities are fundamentally altering how traditional galleries and publishers market to Gen Z.

The 2026 "Mega-Summer"

- FIFA World Cup 26: Running from June 11 to July 19, this is the first tournament to feature 48 teams and be hosted by three nations: Canada, Mexico, and the U.S.
  - The Opener: Mexico hosts South Africa at the historic Estadio Azteca on June 11.
  - The Final: The championship match will take place at MetLife Stadium in New Jersey on July 19.
- Commonwealth Games (Glasgow 2026): Scheduled for July 23 – August 2, these Games represent a new, sustainable hosting model following the withdrawal of the original Australian hosts. The event is "scaled down" to 10 sports, including athletics, swimming, and 3x3 basketball, integrated with the largest Para-sport program in the event's history.

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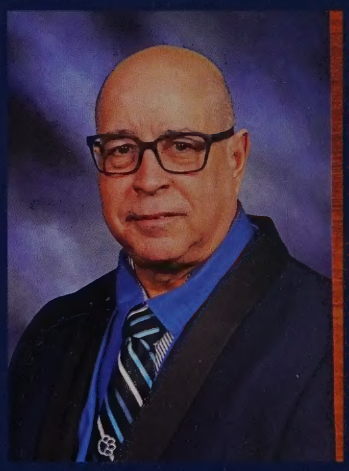

In Memoriam

Edgar M. Medina

We honor Edgar, who was awarded his diploma posthumously in January 2026. Edgar was a dedicated member of the Speech and Debate Team and was enrolled as a sophomore. His passion and commitment left a lasting impact on our community, and we remember him with great respect and admiration.

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